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Chapter 60

Atelier Riette

[[Atelier of Riette]] ?

Is it a workshop or something?] (Citizen)

A new store which moved into a former grocery store that closed before.

It was opened unexpectedly.

Because it doesn't seem to have undergone refurbishment work, it's commonly referred as [[Inuki]]

[[Inuki]] is a property that the interior and equipment etc of the former tenant are left as it is, there is a disadvantage that all are second-hand goods.

However, the new shop can open cheaper and earlier than to renew everything.

Well, as the choice depends on the manager, it doesn't matter to the customer.

And the citizen was surprised that it opened suddenly in just a few days.

From the people who peeked into the store, they were further surprised.

[...the clerk is a child and a young girl...] (Citizen)

The young girl's height is about 157 cm, the average height of a 12-year-old girl if she is an American.

And while her eyes were very bad, she has a baby face.

...No, since it's the body of 15 years old and her appearance is even younger, she can't be anything but a [[baby's face]]

And furthermore, for Western races, Asian race originally looks just like a baby.

And from the signboard of the store, the explanation was written with a little small letter under the store name.

[Various drugs, stocks.

We will also accept the formulation of special medicine] (Board)

[Are you serious...?] (Citizen)

No matter how people see it, it's a child and a young girl.
They can be a sweet seller, which isn't costly nor difficult to handle.
But they can't be a medicine seller which doesn't allow to make mistakes.
Well, if it's a [private medicine], they might be able to handle it.
Some of the civilian medicines have strong effects, not only in terms of medicinal effect but also in side effects.
Besides, [private medicine] is something amateurs who can collect and use them relatively easily but you can't expect to sell enough to keep the store.
Well, if it's 『private medicine』, it can be used relatively safely.
It's usually a family's tradition.

Anyway, [Private medicine] in other word is something like traditional Chinese medicine or herbal medicine, but the fundamental definition is different from them.

And about ten people gathered in a corner of a back alley.
Then finally, one of them stepped into the store.
Others also caught on it and enter the store one after another.

Chirin (SFX)

A light doorbell sounded, followed by a voice of the clerk's girls.

[Welcome!] (Kaoru)

[Well~ com~ e!] (Riette)

...Kanda (*Moe attack SFX*)

And those who entered the shop were likely to die by Moe.



[[[[[.....]]]]] (Customers)

While being anxious about the lovely young girl, the customers try to hide it and look at the goods silently.

Since the former was a general merchandise store, as for this kind of store of this era, the inside of the store was relatively wide.

As for the medicine, the clerk must know those that can be arranged at the front store. Even if it contains a dubious medicine that people don't know whether they can call it medicine or not, there isn't much variety.

Unusual medicines, expensive medicines and the like are put in a safe at the back instead of at the shop front.

They were used for orders.

Many of them aren't handed out unless they are aristocrats or royalties.

[...drugs for military's disease?] (Customer A)

After a while, a man gave a loud voice by watching a description of the medicine on the shelf.

Military's disease.

Listen to that name, people on the earth will be reminiscent of 『Legionnaires' disease』

Yes, it's a disease that causes a lot of death.

It was caused by Legionella bacteria.

It's an old story like beriberi.

However, in this country, the 『military's disease』 is...

[Is the unbearable itch going to be better?] (Customer B)

Yes, it was 『athlete's foot』

This sickness isn't limited to soldiers.

And there are overwhelmingly many diseases that soldiers can be caught.

However, there are many people with particular sickness have encountered troubles as soon as becoming soldiers.

It was unreasonable called 『military disease』

[Ah. Yes yes.

As you can see there are three kinds of medicine.

Three small silver coins medicine will suppress itching in one day and will not deteriorate any further.

Three silver coins medicine will gradually recover you from suppressing itching
And 3 small gold coins will cure you in a few days.

...Well, but if you get re-affected after it has cured, it's out of our responsibility]
(Kaoru)

Three small silver coins, 300 yen (3 bucks) in the sense of Japanese yen, it seems to be cheap, but once you start using it you can never stop using it again.

The itching will not cure even if it stops.

It's a malignant as a drug.

It's good to consider that itching will stop but not continue using make you feel worse.

It's a demon's job to continue winding money forever.

Even if you buy a higher medicine and cure it completely.

If you have an athlete's foot in the vicinity, or used shoes and mats don't change, the recurrence will be early.

Continue to sell forever, continue medicine.

The fountain where gold coins spring...

It was a devil job.

[...Is it really effective?] (Soldier)

The man asks with a suspicious face.

It is reasonable to think so.

It is impossible for a small girl and a young girl's shop to have a medicine with such a high efficiency.

At best, they could only collect weed grass medicinal herbs around her...

But the man rethought.

Even if the clerks are a little girl and a young girl, as long as they have enough money to rent this store, they should have some sponsors.

Some are in charge of purchasing and various things, and these children are just clerks, employees who are employed.

Then, as soon as the store is offered in anticipation of profit, it should have good products to sell, in other words, it's decent items.

A good thing for a try.

Besides, it's 3 small silver coins and so on.

It's just as much as chicken Feed.

Even if it has no effect, it's not so regrettable.

[Is this the diarrhea medicine and constipation drug...?] (Soldier B)

Another man was looking at the two drug vials.

In this country, especially in this capital, people are mostly [carnivorous]

Many people tend to have constipation because they don't consume many vegetables like [herbivore].

Well, not taking too much meat will also cause constipation

...Kaoru has studied about that within the last few days.

[This is the medicine for wounds and is this the medicine of abdominal pain sickness...?

You don't have much about severe drugs...] (Soldier C)

Yes, this shop does not have drugs for serious diseases.

Drugs for serious diseases are important in relation to human life if they don't work.

But if they work, this shop will become famous and it's really important.

Nobility, the royal family, large merchant etc.

Those guys will surely come.

That's troublesome and it becomes an obstacle to marriage.

I don't want to marry a person aiming for me because of my potion.

The potion is to use for the sake of my safety and a happy life and to help a little bit for those who suffer.

It's by no means possible to sprinkle benefits unlimitedly and to use for power and rich people.

So, what I sell at this shop isn't something that might catch powerful people's eyes, the political value like human life.

It's a small medicine shop. It's modest but will be appreciated for commoners.

The Price is cheap.

Well, even though the cost is zero.

Also, various glass bottles and ceramics, ornament type containers, perfume, lotion, beauty lotion, milky lotion etc are also put in the display.

There are a lot of spaces on the shelf with medicine alone.

It's just in case to have products that can sell even when there are no injured people or sick people.

...And if women are for beauty, they will pay considerable money.

[Let's buy this] (Customer)

Was he interested in trying to buy it as a trial?

One male purchased the lower military's disease treatment medicine (3 small silver coins).

[Thank you for your patronage!] (Kaoru)

[Tha~nk yo~u for yo~ur pat~ron~age!] (Riette)

...Riette-san clumsy talks again.

Is she deliberately aiming for moe?

And, in front of the clerk table, there was a row of customers.

I don't know if everyone just came for a new store opening a shop where young children work, or just wanted to try out the effect of medicine really thoughtfully,

but anyway, there are sales early in the store [Atelier Riette]

It was a good start.

Chapter 61

Newbie hunters

[Please check this] (Emil)

[Oh, good work, you must be tired] (Guild Staff)

Emil puts the harvests at the hunter guild's buying counter and the guild staff receives it.

Emil and Bell had been working as newbie hunters for several days.

From that day four years ago, Emil has never missed a day of sword training.

About that, when Kaoru first helped Emil and other orphans, Kaoru said

『You all, do you want to become my servant and help me?』

From the time, Emil-group has decided to become the shield for Kaoru.

And with their spirit, they have trained themselves to a certain level.

At first, Emil's training was done with a wooden stick.

And when Kaoru knew about it, she gave him a simulated sword for training and a real sword.

Except for the time he must earn living expenses and care for young fellows, from early morning till late night, Emil has always tried to train.

He has but one purpose, to protect Kaoru even with the cost of his own life.

However, with that daring skill training, there was no way he could improve his skill.
Talent?

Efficient training method?

A good leader?

『An Oni (Demon)』 has nothing to do with such a thing.

And Kaoru who noticed that Emil's swordsmanship isn't about protecting himself at

all.

It is just for 『Beating the enemy, defending those he needs to protect using his body as shields』

That's why Kaoru pushed Emil into a sword dojo.

A former hunter is the master of that dojo.

He retired from the hunter job from his old age and do a living by teaching youngsters.

Emil has trained in that dojo for sword skill and the spirit to be a swordsman.

The reason why Kaoru made Emil learn swordsmanship is to make him realize:

『Who will save your important person in the next crisis if you save them with the cost of your life?』

In fact, that teaching is really helpful

By doing this, Emil came to conclusion 『I need to survive too』

Well, that's why Emil had a considerable ability in terms of fighting people for his age.

However, it was about 『fighting people』 to the last.

Emil could neither hunt a quick horn rabbit, shot down a bird flying in the sky, or took down a wild boar.

And of course, as a newbie hunter, he has limited restrictions, only escort or gathering.

Therefore, the only work they could receive is gathering.

Same goes for Bell, her fighting ability is 『Killed secretly with a knife, sting and stabbed』

It was not something that could count as a fighting force.

Even though there are people solicit the two of them to their party.

But they weren't decent people.

They only need to let Emil die and they can share Bell in themselves.

They don't kill to kill Emil directly. There are countless kind of dangerous things for hunters if their party members don't support properly. It's easy to guide him to do so. But whether they knew it or not, Emil and Bell never agreed to any solicitation.

And in the past few days, the two had become recognized as 『the fresh newbie, but isn't stupid brother and sister』

Emily and Bell, who had lived ever since the moment of attention, only looked like a

good brother and sister, no matter how they looked.
And when the clerk received the medicinal herbs collected by Emil, [[that]] came.

Chirin (Door Bell SFX)

The door opened with the sound of the doorbell, and the hunters reflexively watched over there.

This is already the habit of the hunters.

And then...

Biku ~! (SFX)

Everyone's bodies shiver all at once.

...After a moment of silent, they returned to their original business.

Back to their conversation, or their meal...

Yes, it was only a girl, who came into the guild.

Also, the hunters got ashamed of their reactions.

For a moment, they let themselves be frightened by just a young girl.

And the girl had a scary face.

Actually, it didn't mean they felt unpleasant about her.

...It was just that they didn't use to it.

The girl walked straight and headed to the window for accepting the request.

[Putting this up please] (Kaoru)

The girl handed a request over to the receptionist. The request was written like this.

[Escort recruitment

Period: until either the requester or the contractor wishes to terminate

Reward: 1 small gold coin per day

Number of people: two people

Condition: both or one member is female] (Quest)

[Eh...] (Receptionist)

The receptionist received the request surprisingly leaked her voice.

[Ah, uhm, the condition of your request...] (Receptionist)

She saw a request she had never seen before and was a little disturbed.

[Uhm, I think that there are no parties will accept it under this condition...

And even in the case that no party accepting it, the mediation fee will still be charged.

You might be just wasting the request registration fee...

Uhm, until you have a bit better condition...] (Receptionist)

The receptionist explains so to the girl.

[No, this is the only reward that I can issue.

And since we are only women, we cannot be relieved unless the hired party are all females or a male and a female party.

And if the contractor doesn't appear even after waiting for a while, we will think again at that time] (Kaoru)

If the requestor said that, the guild can't refuse it anymore.

The receptionist gave advice.

So, she has fulfilled her duty and did it sincerity.

Thinking so, the receptionist performed her duties.

And a new request card was hanging on the request board.

[What's this!?] (Hunter)

[A small gold coins?

It will disappear with in-house fee and food expenses.

Who in their right mind would get this quest?] (Hunter)

The laughter came from the hunters who confirmed the protruding request.

[Besides, if it's a long escort or a long restraint time.

Before you ask, you should check the market price...] (Hunter)

After a long laughter, the party of two approached the request board, peeked off after reading the request card.

[[[[[Eh...]]]]] (Hunters)

Two people are heading to the reception desk quickly ignored the surprised hunters.

[We will accept this] (Emil)

[Eh...] (Receptionist)

Seriously?

The receptionist's mouth and eyes open wide in surprise.

[...Ah, I'm sorry!

Uhm, well, the reception is also okay.

But since the client is still here, would you like to confirm the details with her now...?]
(Receptionist)

After the male and female nodded, the receptionist brought them to the said girl.

[I am the shop owner, Kaoru. I'm both the owner and craftsman of 『Atelier Riette』 and the client.

As for the requested conditions, as stated there, one small gold coin each person per day.

Since we expect a sufficient intimidation effect, we want you to use a private room and live in my house.

Since we expect a sufficient intimidation effect, we have the food expenses, expendables, other miscellaneous expenses fully paid for the escort hunter to live in.

If we can get the expected sufficient intimidating effect, you are free to do other requests except when I ask something of you.

Are there any questions?] (Kaoru)

[There isn't.

Bell and Emil. We might be some clumsy hunters but please take good care of us from now on] (Emil)

[Yes, the same to you] (Kaoru)

[[[[[Eeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeerrrkkk!]]]]] (Hunters)

A cry rising from the surroundings.

[A piece of small gold coin per day!?] (Hunter)

[Having food and living expenses provide?

And freely going to other jobs?

Isn't it like getting a free inn?] (Hunter)

[It's such a favor condition...

Well, there are two of them and must include female.

We can not do it in the first place] (Hunter)

If there is another party that meets the conditions

They may have raised the voice of grudge.

But it's a party and at least one of them must be female.

There were no other subjects in this place, so everyone ends off with just with envy.

Of course, there were reasons why I purposely did such roundabouts.

At the same time, the request card is affixed to the board, it's unnatural to peel off without reading the contents.

And in the unlikely event, there are other parties corresponding to the conditions and it will cause trouble if the request is taken first.

If it comes to jumping to a request with a too bad condition, it's still unnatural, and it's not good for the future of Emil.

So, at first glance, I made the condition seems to be bad, even though it was in fact really favorable condition.

Anyway, with this, it became clear that Emil and Bell have become inhabitants of [[Atelier of Riette]]

After that, sometimes they help me with the shop, and they can do their works as a hunter.

Then, after separating from us, they can return to the Kingdom of Balmoa and protect the orphans, the [[goddess' eye]] and live properly.

Yes, they can't keep traveling with me forever.

Because Emil and Bell have their own lives and I want them to take care of it.

...No way, do they intend to be together forever even after my marriage?

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Unexpected

I offered a room on the second floor to Emil and Bell, and without a doubt, we had a joint life with four people.

Even in the same room, Emil and Bell are just like older brothers who have lived together since the early childhood, and there's no such thing like this at the moment. The waste disposal is good as well.

No, they lived in a scrapped shelter, and they still managed it where there was only one room.

And now, they are lovers...

Halt, Emil is still 12 years old and I don't think he will lay his hand on Bell as his sister for the time being.

Also, when we divide the room, It's not Emil but Bell who refuse to do so.

Anyway, this is the first step.

The rests are Fran and the other. Well, there will be 『encounter』 for them.

It's good now that they are at the inn as they are having fun.

Grr, no, of course, I still have...

And after a late breakfast break, it's almost time to open.

[We will be going now] (Emil)

[Ha~ve a sa~fe tri~p] (Riette)

Riette-chan replies, of course, from above my knees.

Bell seems to envy about it.

No, you are heavier than me, are not you?

I'm going to be crushed.

Well, if it's the first time we met, four years ago, I might be able to...

Emil and Bell went to the guild for work.

I got downstairs with Riette-chan, opened the curtain and opened the inside glass window.

I was able to make glass freely, of course, the window was refurbished.

I left the original wooden window on the outside and attached a glass window inside.

...If I turn the outside into a glass window, it will be stolen during the night.

No, high purity glass is a luxury item.

Anyway, once I open the glass window and open the outer wooden window...

[Uwa!] (Riette)

...No Audio (Kaoru)

I guess I should be 『Kya!』 about this but I...!

As usual, my girl power is low...

Not when you are saying!

What's with that!?

Outside, close to 20 people gathered.

...All this... customers?

Well, on the first day it was rare and nearly 10 people came in, but after that, it was like a pop,... but why?

Anyway, with the wooden window open and fix, I close the glass window and open the door...

[Welcome!] (Kaoru)

[Wel~com~e!] (Riette)

No, Riette-chan, you are already doing it, right?

You usually talk normally, you aren't bad, right?

Uwa, Riette-chan is a bad girl!

[Give me the treatment medicine!] (Customer)

[Me too!] (Customer)

[Oh, me too!] (Customer)

Oh, People whose body have become unable to live without drug... (Make it sound bad and easy to misunderstand on purpose)

Just according to the plan! (Raw: Keikaku Doori)

[Three silver coins] (Customer)

[me too] (Customer)

[me too!] (Customer)

Apparently, as the effect of the drug was clear, it seems that they decided to aim for complete recovery rather than a temporary prolongation.

Well, even if it recovers, it will recur as soon as possible anyway.

There are lots of colonists around you, and their shoes will be the same as it is.

Is the number of people wanting to purchase increased because they saw the state of the person bought the drug before, or because they used it once?

Well, in any case, it is appreciated that the advertising effect comes out.

[Three bottle] (Customer)

[me too] (Customer)

[I am five] (Customer)

Eh?

[Well, you will get better with one. Why don't you just buy at that time it recur again? Besides, it's obviously over-buying like 5 bottles?] (Kaoru)

[Oh, give it to my boss at work and earn points.] (Customer)

[I will present to Ilysa] (Customer)

[Hey, you...!] (Customer)

[I resold at work... No, it's nothing] (Customer)

Damn!

[...Up to 2 bottle limit per person!

My house is a drug store, a retail store, I don't deal wholesale!] (Kaoru)

Because they say unnecessary things, no, they broke their friendship with their friend or something.

I could make a lot of misunderstanding.

Anyway, after I told so, they bought two bottles each obediently and returned.

[I need a medicine for constipation and medicine for diarrhea] (Customer)

[Why do you buy 2 opposite drugs?] (Kaoru)

Normally, shop clerks in shops should not be involved in the customer's private life.

But, I am a drugstore.

I can not give up because I sell medicine.

I can not overlook unconvinced usage.

[Oh, when I go out and eat on the site, the food is biased, sometimes strange things are mixed in.

If you think about it, it might become terrible constipation, or the next day will be *fi fi*...] (Customer)

[Thank you for your patronage! (Okaiage, arigatōgozaimashita!)] (Kaoru)

[Tha~nk Yo~u (~mashi ~ta!)] (Riette repeats the last word of Kaoru)

And the sales grew steadily.

The shop sells painkiller such as abdominal pain and toothache.

However, if it's a sign of a serious illness, if only the pain is extinguished, there is a possibility that the medical condition may worsen more and more without noticing.

To prevent it, the painkiller gives the effect that 『while the pain is stopped, the

progress of the disease stops as well]]

I don't make it cured because I might attract the eyes to the great and bad people when I cure it.

Just keeping the status quo.

Completely cure isn't the role of medicine at [[Atelier Riette]] but the role of [[goddess's tears]] which is a goddess' mercy.

And then, I am planning to ask Emil and Bell for the work as the [[goddess' eye]] , that is, [[choosing those who are suitable for receiving the mercy of the goddess]]

In the end, it's just a small number of suitable persons.

The benefit of the goddess is not that all qualified people can be received.

To the extent that it is possible that people who happily luck happen to be received in a very small part.

God is a selfish one.

Especially the goddess of this world.

[Here!] (Kaoru)

[Ha!] (Riette)

Because there were no customers, I was healing myself with Riette-chan, and I heard a voice from outside the store.

No, children often scare and flee when they see my face, so I hadn't be able to play with lolis for ten years!

Well, it's about a bit (lonely)... no, that's not it.

Oh, a bad feeling...

And that's right, my [[bad feeling]]

Oh, at this stage, it's no longer [[premonition]]

Because it's always a hit.

[Riette-chan, go to the second floor and hide] (Kaoru)

[Yup!] (Kaoru)

Riette-chan rushes up to the second floor.

No, it's not a passionate thing.

It's because I tell her to obey the instructions without saying anything in such case. Because if there's a slight time delay, it will make me disadvantageous. In other words, obeying my instructions as soon as possible is a way of expressing loyalty for Riette-chan.

Chi rin (SFX)

[Is this a shop called 『Atelier of Riette』 ?] (Soldier-like man)

[Yes, it is.] (Kaoru)

It was a soldier look-alike entered the store and made the doorbell ringed. Besides, he isn't a simple soldier, this person seems to be even greater. After that, two soldiers... they should be called soldiers, two young people who seem to have a low class for a long time.

[I want to meet the owner, is it okay?] (Greater than a Soldier)

[Yes, it's me] (Kaoru)

[What... ,
Ah no, it's not the manager responsible for the current store
it's about the manager of this company] (Greater than a Soldier)

[Yes, it's me.
It's my job to have a rental agreement with this shop, pay rent, purchase goods, sell them, and get involved with customers or even soldiers] (Kaoru)

[What...] (Greater than a Soldier)

Is the second surprised voice of the 『greater than a soldier』 man against the fact that I am really a shopkeeper, or against the disgusting things from the mouth of a child...?

[Well, are you Riette?] (Greater than a Soldier)

[No, it's wrong...] (Kaoru)

[[[Huh?]]] (Soldiers)

Along with the 『greater than a soldier』 man, other 2 soldiers also have a blank face.
No, in order to avoid catching attention from some certain people, I named this shop
『Atelier Riette』 instead of 『Atelier Kaoru』 !
...Maybe.

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Soldiers

[No, please do not think it deeply... because it's just the name of the shop!] (Kaoru)

If I explain that there is another person named Riette, they might ask to meet her, so in a hurry, I try to mislead them.

[Oh, I see... I will ask you again.

I'd like you to tell me more about what medicine for military illnesses selling in this store] (Officer)

Well, that?

Just a remedy for athlete's foot, why does a military officer want to know about it?

[No, nothing particular, it's just a medicine...

The supplier and recipe are trade secrets.

If you are telling to teach you about it, it will be just like I ask you tell me about the confidential information of the military] (Kaoru)

[Ugu... Oh, is that so?] (Officer)

When I thought that he might get angry, but he was convinced with a bitter smile on my salt correspondence.

Isn't he quite decent? Maybe I should speak well.

[Let's change the question, is it possible to deliver this medicine in large amounts?] (Officer)

If it comes to business, then it will be another story.

Smile Smile, Smile Smile... ,

Why are the three you backing out together? So frustrated!

...No, I'm used to it, have been living with these eyes for nearly 27 years...

[Yes, there are limitations of production to a certain extent...

Oh, it's no use trying to make it with the army.

Even though I knew the manufacturing method, I never get a profiteer because it's not pricy.

If you gather the ingredients, sort them down, boil down, refine, mix, boil down and do with the military, perhaps, it's much higher than buying at my place.

In the first place, you will not be able to find the place where medicinal herbs are growing.

I won't tell you which area, which tree's side, river edge...

And in the sense, there is a trick to find a colony place, such as inside the forest, at the summit or sand...] (Kaoru)

[I have anticipated so, mostly at a price of one bottle is three small silver coins.

I don't think that you will get any profits.

In the first place, you might be in the red just with the bottle fee...

Well, but then I thought that cheap price might be for promotional purposes, and it seems to be used as a bait for people to buy the high price one...] (Officer)

Oh, amazing! He read my settings well!

No, but you can't ever guess the true reason for it.

At first, I planned to make the price a little higher or asking the customer to return the bottle but I stopped.

I didn't want to receive the bottle that someone with Athlete's foot lays their hands on!

Of course not!

And the cheapest one is also a remedy for people who don't have money.

Well, will it be the remedy even though they will be exploited forever?

They need money to buy medicine so that their consciousness of having to work properly must be growing more.

Death or neat.

It's a good remedy and a charity project as it is to support it.

Furthermore, my financial situation will be relieved, so it is a double relief project.

[Well, even if three pieces of silver coins are never expensive.

It's not surprising that it will act as sowing spots for the three silver medicines, or getting a surplus with 3 small gold coins one...] (Officer)

It's a tremendous analytical force!
As expected he is an officer!

...This is a big deal.
Well, I guess he could never think that I can make bottles and medicines for free.

Yes, for free.

[Well, well... well.
Actually, I can't make too many of them anyway, the plants of the materials around here will be extinct.
And in that case, I must be leaving for other countries looking for new colony...]
(Kaoru)

Oh, the soldiers have a blank face.
I wonder how many they expected to buy...

Anyway, this should have prevented unreasonable mass ordering, listening to the recipe, etc.
In preparation for the appearance of those customers, it was nice to think about the explanation properly...

[Then, how many supplies can you supply each day?] (Officer)

[Eh, every day?] (Kaoru)

That's a little troublesome.

No, I don't have any problem, but I told the customer 『Up to two bottle limit per people』, and it is annoying if 10 soldiers come to buy every day.
What should I do...

Oh, I must check before that.

[Well, are you the military doctor in the Kingdom Army?] (Kaoru)

Yes, I have to confirm the identity of these soldiers.

I wish I could be a medical officer at the military of the kingdom, but if it was not so...

[Oh, forgive me, I have not introduced myself yet.

I am the 2nd Captain of the King Army, Lt. Colonel Vonthas.

The other two are sergeant Tide and Maelic] (Vonthas)

[Eh...] (Kaoru)

It was a surprise.

Far from being a medical doctor, to think he even has a title...

[Oh, Uhm, how many kingdom's battalions are there, and the number of people...?]
(Kaoru)

If I ask the soldiers about this in the country of the Earth, I may be charged as a spy.

However, in this world, there's no way to hide the number of soldiers, and the country prefers to show off, not to hide.

So, both the citizen and those of other countries know about it, so there should be no problem.

[Oh, the King's army is organized in 10 battalions, the total number is about 10 000. However, less than half of them aren't battle personnel, like engineers or workers behind the scenes and support staff] (Vonthas)

As expected, the Lieutenant taught me the number of people, he didn't care about it and told me in detail of the military.

Perhaps, because he thought that knowing that it would be necessary to do this business in the kingdom, so he taught me kindly or because he noticed why I asked that question...

Perhaps, the latter.

After this, I must have anticipated what I would talk about.

And according to the explanation of Lieutenant Colonel for the Royal Military

A squadron: 9 soldiers is a minimum unit

A platoon: 40 people, 1 platoon commander, and non-commissioned assistants plus four squadrons

A company: 4 platoons

A Battalion: 4 companies.

Each Battalion has totally 640 soldiers, plus the headquarters personnel, support staff etc.

Of course, they also possess transportation units, training forces, teaching forces, and various other support organizations and subordinates.

...That is to say, including them all, 10 battalions will have close to 10,000.

And to hold and maintain that 10,000 soldiers, more than ten times of civilians' tax were needed.

However, this is not the ordinary city but the capital city of a country. Goods, money, and human resources flow from within the country, that is a direct jurisdiction of His Majesty the King.

The King cared about the army because the King Army protects not only the capital but the Kingdom itself.

It differs slightly in various parts from the Lord Army led by the lords of various regions.

I received a convincing explanation from the Lieutenant Colonel and I was convinced that I was still in danger.

[Well, then it would mean that there are nine other battalions in the King Military, nine other captains who might be the same title as a Lieutenant...

They might also come to this shop and say that they want me to sell the disease treatment medicine...] (Kaoru)

[Oh, the other captains will not come, but if it's just the subordinates, they will be 100 percent coming] (Vonhas)

(T.N: 100 percent in EN)

[Eeeehhh ~!?] (Kaoru)

Why do you have a flat face while saying that?

[Then, there will another nine times, the same conversation as this and they demand the priority to themselves...] (Kaoru)

[There will be, of course.

It's natural that each battalion is rival of each other, even though we are in the same King Army.

It's natural that everyone wants to keep good things, and not limited to battalion units, I wonder if they will also come apart by platoon unit] (Vonthas)

[Whaaaaaaaaat!?] (Kaoru)

I'm in trouble.

Mister Lieutenant colonel is a decent person, but some of the soldiers will be brute force people and people who think that civilians obviously obey what they say.

If such a person says that I must deliver all the medicine to their place, I can't take care of it.

Besides, if they come in units of small units, my shop will be saturated just by that.

It will be more trouble when they can't reach an agreement with each other.

Civil war, civil war, civil war, the cause is athlete's foot medicine.

The girl who caused this war was executed as a parole in another country.

Awaaaaaaaaa!

Mister Lieutenant Colonel starts to reassure me as I became frightened and became impatient.

[Please be relieved, other battalions' captain will not come all the way by themselves. Perhaps a young officer or non-commissioned officer will come around.

When that happens, just tell them 『These medicine have already been bought to the military.

Accordance to the direction of Lt. Colonel Vonthas, the King Army 2nd Battalion Captain.

If you need anything please go through him]]

Anyone will withdraw after being told so.

Well, I don't intend to monopolize.

Don't worry because we allocate it properly at some cost.

Just a little bit, I only have other battalions flexible in other respects] (Vonthas)

...dirty!

There is nothing but a great deal in the military!

However, I came up with something to worry about.

[Oh, what if other troops were coming here not as representatives of the troops, but as ordinary customers?] (Kaoru)

[Eh?] (Vonthas)

[Eh?] (Kaoru)

[[Eeehhhh?]] (2 Soldiers?)

Even if he is a Lieutenant Colonel,
There seemed to be no big deal.

Chapter 64

Noble

As a result of discussions with Mister Vonthas...

In the end, I declined customers buying in large quantities as representatives of units and decided to sell up to two bottles as individuals.

However, I accept offering only for military disease medicine in a large number. Otherwise, I would have to tolerate a long line of troops every day.

Some may come to buy secretly in private clothes but the Lt. Colonel doesn't mind. If his business is fulfilled, there's no problem.

Also, there aren't many people who do that kind of thing, it must be hard to hide it from colleagues, seniors, and superiors.

In addition, they can get free medicine from the military hospital, if they buy it on their own, they must pay for that price.

It doesn't apply to elite soldiers or someone of the nobility who could afford to pay the money though.

And then I decided to deliver the medicine to the 2nd battalion once a week.

It's somewhat bad decisions to decide my shop policy as retail and not wholesale.

Plus I don't want to just sit at the store, I want to go out here and there as well.

There seems to be a large number of military elite young soldiers in the headquarter, and even it's a secret, I still get acquainted with various people that would be useful for marriage.

Besides, I will let the soldiers remember our face, and if they think that 『We must protect this girl!』

It will be useful for our safety.

That's a big deal.

Anyway, if something happens to me, the supply of military medicine will be cut off.

Normally, the soldiers might not care or overlook things happen in the city, but if they

know me well, they will definitely help me.
Well, maybe I will get the escort of 10,000 King Army troops?

It's amazing, it's too amazing!
Roland's couple is already unnecessary, Fu~ha~ha!

[Well, I wish you best luck!] (Vonthas)

After saying his farewell, Mister Vonthas went back.

Then Roland and Francette jumped right in.

[Have you gotten any troubles?] (Fran)

Apparently, they seem to have kept watching from outside the store.
If there was something wrong, they would rush in soon to help me.
I'm sorry... for thinking that you are unnecessary.

[It's okay, it's just a business negotiation. Thank you] (Kaoru)

For now, Let's say the grateful word down.
I don't know when they were watching...

maybe they were watching overnight...
...No, it's no doubt, ahahaha...

Hey... , Francette, that sleepy face and yawn, and those eyes!
Hey hey hey hey hey hey hey hey hey hey! *(T.N: Kaoru keeps repeat it)*

Anyway, drink this, Fran.
No, it's fine!
Just keep silent and drink!

❖ Evening

A horse-drawn carriage stopped in front of the store and customers came in.

[...Hey, is this the place selling drugs for soldier's disease? Hey!] (Noble-like man)

Two people. Mr. and Mrs. who seem to be around 30 years old. They look like nobles.

[Yes, that's right...] (Kaoru)

I lost the timing to let Riette-chan evacuate to the second floor.

I have no choice but to do 『Keep silent and take a role as air』 by making a 『Head ponpon』 signal as the opponents seem to be aristocrats.

[Okay, get me everything and deliver to my place with the price 30% discount] (Noble-like Man)

[I refuse] (Kaoru)

[Well then, for the time being, how about delivering these things... Eh?] (Noble-like Man)

He must be thinking that a commoner would not refuse his order or thing and after heard it, his face stiffens and consolidates.

Is he trying to monopolize my medicine and intend to sell it high to the military, or to use it politically...

How could the medicine for the athlete's foot raise up so much?

Are these military supplies or strategic goods?

However, by any chance, 30% was arbitrarily drawn, I would not bear it.

Well, I make it for free but that happens by chance.

As a merchant now, I can't forgive that kind of thing as a merchant.

No, if it's discount negotiations or part of the deal, I will do the partner and negotiate until we reach an agreement.

But, forced compulsion is useless.

It's outside of the acceptable range.

It is a transaction suspension case.

If I receive such a thing, I can't face other merchants.

Although I have a life of social work in the previous life only about six months, I'm proud of my work.

[Wha, what!?

How dare you, a commoner goes against me...?] (Noble-like Man)

[Oh, in regards to mass delivery of military disease medicine treatment,

King Army 2nd Captain, Lt. Colonel Vonthas has bought a wholesale.

For all consultation, please go to the Lieutenant Colonel.

Also, for all events that interfere with delivering drugs to the military must be reported to Lt. Colonel beforehand...] (Kaoru)

[Wha... what!? That Lieutenant Nevas von Vonthas, the third son of Earl Vonthas...]

(Noble-like Man)

[I do not know his full name, but it's the second King Army Commander, Lt. Colonel Vonthas] (Kaoru)

[.....] (Noble-like Man)

The aristocrat kept silent for a while and attempted to go back by turning around, but I talked to his wife.

[Uhm, Madame. You seem to have trouble, how about some shampoos and beauty medicine?] (Kaoru)

[Eh?] (Noble Woman)

Yes, because I don't want to make too much an enemy, I'd rather not to make the aristocrat feel unpleasant, so I offer shampoos and beauty product.

At any rate, I wanted an ad to sell it.

I'm confident that once a noblewoman uses it, she will brag about it in the tea party and advertise it for me here and there, it will sell well soon.

[With this one, it will remove the dirt of your hair.

This medicine that makes it smooth and shiny.

And this medicine that will moisturize your skin smoothly!

And this medicine can regain the youthfulness of your skin!]

The clerk in a cosmetics department store often said so to the lady customers.

As for 30' is about time that the woman starts to worry about skin and hair decay, the

noble's wife's foot stopped perfectly.

[...Is it true?

Do you know what will happen when you trick a noble?

We won't show mercy even with a child] (Noble wife)

There's no such a nice story, there can't be such a miracle medicine in a small personal shop like a child's store.

Even though the noble might think so, his wife seemed to be unable to stand up to that attractive word.

Well, as a husband and a noble, he couldn't refuse his wife for the beauty products, perhaps.

I left Riette-chan inside the counter and walked to the sale floor side.

[Please check my hair and skin for yourself] (Kaoru)

Heard my words, the Noble Wife looked my hair as if staring, combed my hair with her hand, and moved closer to sniff the smell.

[Hey, what are you doing...?] (Noble Man)

Ignoring the husband's words, the wife touches my face, rubbing and pinching my hair.

My skin is smooth and it's not due to basic cosmetics.

It's due to the [youth] from the age of 15.

Initially, I don't use basic cosmetics.

That will be good from about 18 years old.

But I didn't bother to say such a thing and kept silent.

It's not my fault that she accidentally misunderstands that the basic cosmetic effect is guaranteed.

[I will buy it, prepare them at once] (Noble's Wife)

[Hey, you...] (Noble Man)

[The payment...] (Noble's Wife)

[Yes!] (Kaoru)

[Hey...] (Noble's Man)

Ignoring her husband completely, the negotiations ended.

Shampoo, rinse lotion, essence, milky lotion, and cream.

For nobles and a collection of luxury items in an artistic container made of crystal glass.

As a bonus, serve a small bottle of perfume's sample.

[These are six small gold coins.

Please be careful, not to mistake the amount used and the order of use in usage instructions here.] (Kaoru)

[I understand, I pray for good effect and for your life...] (Noble's Wife)

Scary, Aunt!

However, with this, seeds for selling shampoo and basic cosmetics will be spread.

After that, I just need to wait for the reputation to spread in word of mouth!

After Noble's couple who I didn't hear the name returned, I thought I should close the store soon, the soldier came.

People who seem to be young executives and people who seem to be non-commissioned officers.

[I would like to purchase a mass medicine for military's illness...] (NCO)

Oh, it appears, it appears (Ita ita)

From now on, these people will continue for a while until the colonel's foundation is over...

So fast,... the lieutenant colonel's subordinates came, their footwork is light...

Well, thanks to that, my hardships have been greatly alleviated, I'd like to thank you once.

I wonder if this is a big advantage here.

Well, it's a win-win relationship.

Well, I'm sorry, even though those officers came all the way but I only gave the refusing explanation.

Well, it's not a big deal but let's sell two bottles for each of them.

I have not done the foundation for the lieutenant colonel yet.

And after this, I might as well dance while looking forward to shampoo and cosmetics to sell...

However, I was not noticed at that time.

A nobleman woman will not tell other women the secret of keeping her beauty.

It's natural that such secrets will be kept as much as possible.

There was no sale of shampoo and cosmetics at all, and it took a while for me to notice it.

Damn!

Chapter 65

Delivery

Five days after promising to deliver medicine with Lt. Colonel Vonthas.

It was about time that I thought that it wouldn't be strange to say 『I made a request for mass production to the manufacturer』

And I decided to go for the delivery of medicine.

Of course, yesterday, I used the child of an orphanage to delivery the Apo (JP short word for “appointment”) first.

It's normal to use the child of the orphanage as a messenger and it's unlikely that an orphan will do something unreasonable as it involves the trust of the orphanage.

If people lose their credibility, there will be no one asking the orphan for such a job after that.

So, I can trust them more than asking adults.

Besides, I am used to asking orphans for work.

Um, with the children of the 『goddess' eyes』

By the way, Emil and Bell were also orphans.

They aren't from an orphanage, they work hard to find anything to eat.

Even if they get sick, they can't get any treatment.

They do almost anything to survive...

From the way they are now, people might not realize that though.

The gatekeeper of the army didn't drive away the messenger orphan.

Some of the soldiers are also orphans.

They might be orphans from the beginning, and some of them have become orphans by losing their parents who were soldiers.

As soldiers, they easily sympathize with the orphan.

That's why the matter of delivery was successfully transmitted to the army.

And of course, I took Riette-chan along when delivering the medicine.
It was my purpose to make the soldiers remember our face. And when something happens, we may ask the soldiers for help.

Yes, My purpose is to make the soldiers think that 『Riette-chan and I are the subjects to protect if they don't want the supply of military medicine to be cut off』

Even if Riette-chan isn't directly involved in the creation of the medicine, but by coming with me, she will be seen as important and so on

And the problem is the amount of medicine to deliver.
Even if it's too much, it will be unnatural.
And if it's too little, the soldiers will be dissatisfied, so the balance is difficult.

And the soldiers only buy the 'three silver coins' and 'three small gold coins' type.
It seems that three small silver coins are in deficit and it's natural that people have problems with medicines that 『pay only to maintain the status quo』 while the payment is from the military, the soldiers can use it for free.

The 'three silver coins' type will cure for 5 days or so and the 'three small gold coins' will cure for about a month.
Of course, depending on the medical condition and individual constitution at the time of starting treatment,
Also depending on the way you apply medicine etc,
There are variations in the healing period.

The amount of use for just fingers is about 40 times each bottle.
In order to surely cure with one, they have a good margin.

However, when spreading beyond the fingers of both feet or doing poor painting (applying) methods, it won't end perfectly at 40 times but lower.

The 'three silver coins' medicine may not be enough for each soldier. I thought it was nearly about 『two portion per person』

So, you must use at least one of 'three silver coins' medicine for one soldier when you can use a 'three small gold coins' for around 8 soldiers.
I think the price should be ten times to be more reasonable, considering that it can be

used for 8 times the number of people and that the treatment period is shorter.

Okay then, the initial delivery amount decided, 72 pieces of '3 small gold coins' medicines and 24 pieces of '3 silver coins' medicines.

It's $72 \times 8 + 24$, just for 600 people.

When I deliver for 10 times, it will be for 6000 people.

Not all of the soldiers will be suffering from it so it will not be necessary so much.

Yes, it looks like this.

Once everyone has healed, let's continue to sell to the relapse and continue to earn a small amount of money...

This sale is (72×3) 216 small gold coins and (24×3) 72 silver coins two?

Oooh!

I don't have an account at a bank...!

To the commercial guild, no, keep it in the item box.

Calm down, me!

No, if the number of patients doesn't reduce I will make a lot of gold coins.

Besides, since I sell it at the store, I also need a pose saying that I'm giving the military more priority.

Okay, departure!

Holding hands with Riette-chan and coming to the facility of the military near the north gate of the kingdom.

The military-related buildings and facilities are inside the outer wall, but the training ground which needs a wide place seems to be outside.

Well, in an emergency, there might be a battle against the sneaking invaders so the military facilities must be inside.

When hurrying, the soldiers can go out from the north gate immediately without passing through the city.

When the soldiers have time to spare or when they want to raise the morale, it seems that they will go through the city and come out of the main gate on the south side.

Yeah, for the time being, I'm thinking...

Put the medicine in 4 boxes, put the boxes in the bag and put on both my shoulders.
Ugh, heavy...

From behind, Roland and Francette follow after us pretending to be some strangers.
No, you don't have to worry about it, it's the main street in the morning and the destination is the home of the military. If this isn't counting as secure than will there be any places in the country can be secured.

They seem to be worried about that too much and staying with me almost anytime anywhere, my privacy is bad!

I can't do date schedule.

No, I don't have any partner yet...

At the main gate, it seems that the words have been spread properly. They let me pass through easily and there is even a guiding people waited for me.

Well, I don't know where I should go in the first place.

No, I will not walk around without permission, and since I don't have a phone, I can't call the person in charge so I must ask the soldier to relay the message. Mister Lt. Col must anticipate it would take time, so he arranged for the guide in advance.

Truly competent, Mister Lt. Col.

As expected, Roland and Francette can't enter the military grounds, so they hide somewhere outside.

...You will not wait until I come out, right?

No, as this is my first visit today, it will take a lot of time to talk with people who are in charge of medicine purchase is not it?

And on the door of the guided room, there was a nameplate attached.

[[The second Battalion captain's office room]]

...Is this different from the room of the purchaser?

Well, as important strategic goods (for fellow troops) I guess they were wary of sideways, reselling, sampling, etc.

[You finally came] (Vonthas)

The face of Lt. Colonel Vonthas is smiling, he is in a good mood.

[Thanks to you, various negotiations and disputes with other battalions have finished quite smoothly, for now, let me thank you] (Vonthas)

Wow...

For the time being, it's heavy so I put down the bag, bring out the boxes of medicine and put it on the table for visitors.

[There are three boxes of '3 small gold coins' medicine, 72 of them in total.

The other box is '3 silver coins' medicine, 24 of them in total.

Totally, 21 gold coins, 13 small coins and 2 silver coins] (Kaoru)

[Well, here you are] (Soldier)

The soldier who guided us here, after checked the boxes, picked up the sachet of cloth that Mister Lt. Col left out of the desk drawer and handed it to me.

Yeah, the number of deliveries and amount was written in the letter that I asked the children of the orphanage to relay the messenger.

As a social person, it's natural consideration.

I will be nervous with the sudden large amount of money.

As I took the sachet, I pretended to put it in the cloth bag and store it in the item box.

A woman will not carelessly carry a large amount of money.

[I have already informed that the medicine purchase will go through me.

Was there any problem with the shop?] (Vonthas)

[Yes, thanks to you...] (Kaoru)

Yeah, a couple of soldiers came to my shop, two or three days from then.

But I can refuse any [contract of mass purchase came by orders of the superior officers] as I mention Mister Lt. Colonel's name.

There is no problem because ordinary soldiers who came without knowing that they responded in the same way as ordinary customers.

[Then, we will continue to ask for the matter of delivery.

Is there anything you want to request?] (Vonthas)

Because we are children, Mister Lt.Colonel who says so with care.
It may be an expression of socializing but I'm thankful for that.
That is my quality!

[Well, if you don't mind, may I ask for a guide around here!
Well, I may come to deliver another type of medicine, and I'm also curious!] (Kaoru)

Yes, it is not a lie.
The rampage with military disease medicine is likely to settle down in about two months, and I would like to see various kinds of hints for that.
Also, my original purpose is letting the soldiers know our face.
Yes, I'm a carnivorous girl!
Actually, I'm not that persistent, though.
No, it's true.

[Well, shall we go?] (Vonthas)

Mr. Lt. Col stood up saying so.
Do you want me to guide you!
Why don't you let your subordinates do it!?

[No, I'm glad that pretty girls are interested in the work of the military.] (Vonthas)

Really?
It feels like there is something behind you.

Well, that's why, with Lieutenant's guidance, I and Riette-chan are guided around the wide military site.
And on our chest and back are attached...
The shop label that I made last night written like this.

[Drug store Atelier Riette]

Yes, in order to let the military know that we are a supplier of military disease medicine.
Because it's more than half of the purpose for this delivery.

Attention gathers everywhere!

It's commonplace for everyone to pay attention and salute just with Mister Lt. Colonel appeared.

Because there are the young girls Riette-chan and I sticking together with him. It has more impact, moreover, advertisement on our chest and back.

An crazy attention gathered by this.

I wonder if Mister Lt. Colonel aware of my intentions, or just thinking I'm promoting my shop...

Anyway, in the heads of the soldiers of the 2 King Battalion Army, the soldiers must think in this way, 『If there is something happening to these two, the star of hope for our salvation』 we will not be able to get the 『medicine for military disease』 anymore.

Chapter 66

Market Research

We were guided by Mister Lieutenant Colonel around the military camp and came across the dining room.

Because it's a military dining room, it's not open all the time.

The meal is provided only for the soldiers during the morning, the noon and the evening.

Other times, they are working with something like cooking and preparation, as well as purchasing ingredients and caring for equipment, various office work, etc.

It seems that they are never free.

It's the type of work for people in this place.

And right now, there was no one in the table seat of the cafeteria.

[Here is the cafeteria for below the non-commissioned officer.

The officer will eat at the room beside it.

Well, normally, the captains will not eat in the same room with the soldiers unless it's a dinner party] (Vonthas)

[Well, it's just in case that even if the food is poisoned, there's not much to worry about the high officer will collapse at once at all...] (Kaoru)

[Huh?] (Vonthas)

Mr. Lieutenant seemed to be surprised.

Well, didn't you have such an intention?

[Well, don't you also need medicine to deal with sick and poisoning?] (Kaoru)

[O, Oh...] (Vonthas)

Somehow, Mr. Lt. Col. acts like a little kid.

He doesn't know about tactic like:

Sneak into the enemy's garrison, poison the well,
In the siege game, prepare the corpses of those who died of infectious diseases and throw them into the enemy's position with catapults.

Aren't the soldiers doing that here?

On Middle Earth, they often did it...

Oh ya, something is pinned on the board.

『Military drug treatment drugs are bought in bulk by the military.
Soldiers refrain from going to the dealer directly and take medical treatment in the medical office』 (Board)

Hey, this must be what Mr. Lt. Col. did...
Besides it, there is a paper about recruiting members for the Cafeteria...
And various papers are pinned there.

Yeah, the employee cafeteria of the company that I worked in the previous life also had such a poster.
Is it the same here?

And then Mr. Lt. Col. took us to the outdoor training ground.

The soldiers are training at the ground.
There are many types of exercises, such as a wide exercise station outside the town gate or going out combing marching training at a place far away.

As I look at the corner of the exercise room, there is a group of several people moving a little apart, manipulating things like boxes *Kacha~kacha* against each other.

As he realized I'm curious about it Mr. Lt. Col. told me.

[Oh, that is the communication soldier training.
That's the hand flag signal in the daytime and a signal that is sent by opening and closing the front of the box lighting the candle at night.
Since it's now daytime, we use sticks instead of candles in practice] (Vonthas)

Hoo, there are hand signals and light emission signals.
It's like Morse code.

[I can also read it for somehow, but I didn't practice it, so I can't read it fast enough.
Well, up until now, I can communicate directly so there are no problems.
Well, in any event, the communication should be done by the communication soldier,
and meals should be left to the cook] (Vonthas)

Yeah, it's just like Mr. Lt. Col. said.

The one on the top should leave it to the person in charge without doing everything
by himself.

Just like the sales manager only need to deal with the sales only... , no, it's nothing.
It's already passed. (*T.N: Past life?*)

[Eh? what...

[[Who is that?]] ,

[[No sign of medicine yet]] ,

[[What are you doing here?]] ,

[[I am disappointed]]

[[This is my work]]

can you let me hit (kick) him for a little bit?] (Kaoru)

[...Why can you read? Okay, I give you permission to hit] (Vonthas)

[Ah...] (Kaoru)

Yes, of course, this is...

[[The ability to have the conversation, reading and writing in every language]]

This country version of Morse code is also [[language]] !

[...] (Vonthas)

[.....] (Kaoru)

[.....] (Vonthas)

[.....] (Kaoru)

[...Well, this base is roughly like this] (Vonthas)

Alright, I won!

Then, I ran over to the communication soldier for the time being and kicked in.

But, is it 『base』...?

Is it part of the kingdom?

By the way, on the Earth, the Navy and the Air Force were the base, the place the Army stay was called the garrison.

Eh... ships and airplanes can't run without a mother base, but the Army will be able to stay anywhere as long as they have supplies, so it's not a 『base』 but a place to stay now, isn't it just as a 『garrison』 ?

Well, unlike the Navy and Air Force who sort out from the base every time, the Army doesn't return every time. So, it's not a 『base』 in that sense, right?

Then, it doesn't seem to fight the battlefield outside the country.

It seems to be the base station in a resident place of the King Army.

And then I returned to the store without knowing all the purposes of the Army.

As for the soldiers, 『The older sister of drugstores, the girl with scary eyes, There seems to be a service to kick you』 such rumors are spread etc.

❖ And 3 days later

[I want to purchase a large amount of military disease medicine] (Officer)

A senior older officer came to the shop.

It's strange. Isn't he supposed to be talked by Mister Lt. Col. ?

[Oh, for that matter, you should talk to the second captain of the King Army, Lt. Colonel Vonthas...] (Kaoru)

But as I told the officer the name of Lt. Colonel, his face distorts.

[King Army's 2nd Captain, Lt. Colonel Vonthas...

That man, how dare he monopolize the medicine with the King Army alone.

They have not given anything to the Royal Guards Army!

And even though we come here for bulk purchase, we will just be told that 『Please go through Lt. Colonel Vonthas... 』

Do something for our Army as well...

No matter what we do, there will be a dispute between the Royal Guards and Army troops!

We, the Royal Guards serve as the guards of the royal palace, escort of the nobles, and ceremonial rituals.

Our missions are more important than those of the King Army!

Nevertheless, why do you give preferential treatment to the King Army and reject the Royal Guard Army?] (Officer)

Oh, that's a pity...

Mr. Lt. Colonel seems only doing that for the King Army!

Well, even if he gave it to the Royal Guard Army. It was like another organization, he wouldn't gain much advantage...

But this can not be overlooked.

Even though I didn't know about the Royal Guards Army, but it would be terrible to oppose them.

[I understand, when the next batch of medicine coming, I will also sell it to the Royal Guard Army.

How many people are there in the Royal Guard Army?] (Kaoru)

[Oh! Oh! That's nice! You have my thanks!

The Royal Guards Army, in its role, isn't a large number of people.

There are about 200 people in total, including 4 platoon and headquarters, support staff, etc.] (Officer)

According to the officer who seems to be the Captain of the Royal Guard Army, when accompanying royal trips etc, transportation units and additional support persons seem to be coming from other organizations, which seems to be only an ordinary single company scale.

Mr. Lieutenant Colonel ignores them because it's a small group, or perhaps there is a bad relationship between the Royal Guard and the King Army...

Well, there's no problem if it is about 200 people.

The '3 gold coins' medicine will cure 8 people each so they will need at most 25 bottles.

One Box of 24 bottles will be enough for fishing.

But this person, he should be a higher rank Captain.

Normally, the captain of the King Army is a Lieutenant Colonel or a Colonel, but the Royal Guard Army should be a Brigadier or higher.

Regardless of the size of the company, how can he make it to the top of the Royal Guard Army as a Captain or a Major while he still has a bad relationship with King Army!

When you assign a class from the top, is it going to be...

[So, I appreciate about that, but actually, there is something else I would like to ask...]
(Officer)

[Yes, what is it?] (Kaoru)

It seemed to be a bit complicated, but I should ask for the details.

[Just like the King Army, we want you to reserve and delivery the medicine to the Royal Guards, there are still many people who still don't have medicine yet...] (Officer)

What that!?

Speaking of security guards, they keep the security of the capital.

These People are equivalent to police officers on the Earth.

In the training days, they might be safe.

But it won't be so when something happens.

Unlike the King Army Soldiers, the Royal Guard Army can't earn a reward for anything. Every day is a real battle, there are also dangers that criminals, drunk soldiers, hunters attack them with swords and they might be killed if they don't do it well.

And even doing that kind of work every day, even when they capture a criminal, they get neither a praise nor a heroism. It was such a job.

What do you think if the guards won't get the medicine?
Failed!

Because I am ignorant, I thought that all the soldiers were soldiers of the same organization.

I did not think that the Royal Guard and King Army soldiers were separate organizations. Even Mister Lieutenant Colonel thought about this Royal Guard as a different organization...

Well, isn't he a person who collects profits for himself?
That is to say, it doesn't profit to others.
To what extent does it apply, and how much it applies?
I should also be careful...

Apparently, it seems that people thought I trusted the King Army more, that's why they tell the person in charge of the Royal Guard Army to come.

Perhaps, from the soldiers that came here, I chased them back saying 『Please go through the Lt. Colonel Vonthas』

After that, it seems that they came to buy as individuals, but since that medicines are sold too much every day (like the hot cake), it's often sold out when they came after having finished their work, I guess.
No, I did it now, sorry...

However, in order not to avoid trouble, I chose to stop selling drugs (potion?) that cure injuries and illness immediately,
Even though I chose 『something that won't cause trouble even the nobility and rich people having their eyes on it』
Why did such a thing happen?

The military disease is so terrible disease, isn't it?

...Yeah, it must be a horrible disease.

Damn, let's increase the number of general sales for a while.

...However, besides the sales of other medicines, there's one more thing I wonder about.

Why do not the shampoos, rinses and the sales of basic cosmetics increase?

Umm, I wonder if the noble's wife advertises it properly...

Chapter 67

Noble Again~

At last, things other than military disease medicine began to sell.

Shampoo and basic cosmetics, you ask?

No, it's not sold...

Why?

However, instead of it, glassware and ceramic goods became hot products.

Although those glasswares are considerably less transparent than those of the Earth, however, it still clearly superior compared with the ordinary glass products of this era in this world.

And the ceramics are pottery such as Ōtani ware (*Japanese pottery most famously known for its large size*)

Maiolica (*Italian tin-glazed pottery*),

Imari ware (*brightly-colored style of Arita ware*)

Kutani ware (*style of Japanese porcelain traditionally supposed to be from Kutani*), etc.

No, I liked pottery, so I know the material soil, glaze, firing temperature and so on and the real thing was well seen at the exhibition and I also touched it.

So, even if I can't make it by myself, but I won't meet any trouble when people ask about it. I can just tell them I order from a 『goddess-like mark manufacturing factory』 (Goddess' Branch)

Although I'm kind of feeling bad for painting over such pieces of art, however, if I don't do it, people might sell the imitation of it. I always pay attention so that it won't happen.

I have a suspicion that it might be resold somewhere.

No, buy it cheaply and sell higher.

It is the basis of business.

There are buyers who can afford the expenses it but can't meet the maker directly,

thanks to the resellers, the buyers can get the famous product from the maker that they have never met, and buy it at the price they agree with.

Maker, seller, buyer, everyone can be happy, is a legitimate economic activity.

...or die!

No, I hate resellers.

I missed the ticket for the concert due to the touch difference and saw that it was resold on the net at 5 times the price, from that day on!

Somehow, there is no way to get rid of the resellers...

Chirin (Door Bell SFX)

[Hmm, this is the property...] (Noble-like Person)

If I have to say something, the people who just came in are fishy...

Nobility: 1,

Butler-like: 1,

Escort: 3,

And, as the lender of this store, the Real Estate Agent (REA): 1

Oh, here comes trouble... AGAIN...

[Welcome!] (Kaoru)

[Please come in!] (Riette)

Yeah, there's no more Riette's super clumsy greeting [repeating gags] , [promised gags]

Geez, you do it with a sense of duty, don't you... it seems she succeeds in observing customers now.

However, this time I lost the timing to let Riette-chan escape to the second floor.

I wonder if I have to think about something good.

Like: escaping with a single button, an ejector seat... or...

However, won't our necks break when our heads hit the ceiling? (T.N: Dragon Quest Zoom in Dungeon)

[I am not a customer, I am Earl Oram, the owner of this store] (Noble)

[Eh?] (Kaoru)

This place is a former general grocery store, and they lent it from the Real Estate Agent.

Because the owner's children didn't follow the parents' work, the elder couple got out of business to rent out the store.

And I heard that they intend to have a retired life with the rent.

It should not belong to a noble.

In the first place, if it belongs to a noble, it won't be for rent from the beginning.

As I look at the Real Estate Agent, his face looks somewhat pale...

[Don't worry, I'm not driving you out but as the owner has changed, the agreement with the former owner is ineffective.

You need to re-sign a new deal with me or get chased out.

Hey, bring me the contract] (Nobleman)

[Haa!?] (Kaoru)

The person, who seems to be the butler waiting from the side, took out some documents and offered to me.

I received it and looking through the content...

Hereinafter we call the borrower A and lender B.

A shall pay 50% of the sales proceeds of this store as the rental fee of the store to B.

A shall comply with the instructions of the owner B regarding the price of the item of this store.

A shall comply with the instructions of the owner B regarding the seller of the merchandise of this store.

A will disclose all information on suppliers, manufacturing methods, etc. of the merchandise of this store to B.

Etc.



Haha.
Hahahaha.
Hahahaha!

Are you kidding me?

[Oh, the purchase price of the material is 60%, the processing expenses are 20% and the profit is 20%, under this condition, the more we sell, the more deficit it will be...]
(Kaoru)

[It will be enough if you raise the selling price.
If you double or triple the price, you will have several times of your current profit.
Use a little bit!] (Noble)

Ka~n!*

Does he mean to say like 『Can you use your head?』 ?

...Really.

Can this man use his head?
I understand well.

[Okay, let me sign the contract. Of course, there are two copies of the contract, right?]
(Kaoru)

[Oh, ah, of course...] (Noble)

Earl Oram somehow has a smug face because I agreed to sign the contract too easily.
And the REA also looked surprised.
Well, people usually will not agree, this is a ridiculous contract.
But he thought that the girl gave up because she would not be able to do anything against the aristocrat.
The REA looked sorry and turned his face down.

After signing the contract and confirming other matters, the Earl returned home with a joyful face.

Perhaps, besides 50% of the earnings of this shop, he plans to monopoly the glass

products and ceramics that are getting popular recently.
There are a lot of uses for it. He might plan to use it as a trading material.

He is an Earl, the same rank as Lt. Colonel's parent, meanwhile Mr. Lt. Col. is the only the 3rd son with a low probability of succeeding.
Which means he won't be afraid Mr. Lt. Colonel, and he doesn't need to obey the instructions of the captain of the King Army because he is not a soldier.

And in the first place, a soldier can't order a noble.
Even though the soldier side is also a noble, but he is only a 3rd son. In any case, Mr. Lt. Colonel can't help with this one.

That Earl is a noble and not a soldier. *(T.N: Not in the military)*
He has a lot of servants to help him wash and clean his feet or applying the perfume oil.
I don't think he is suffering from military-disease.

Anyway, *[[He did it now]]*
Yes, I am really strict with malignant adversaries.

[So, first of all, please give me an explanation] (Kaoru)

And after the Earl returned, I asked the Real Estate Agent for explanation and apology.

[I'm sorry... , no, I'm really not at fault here...
Even so, I don't have any choice] (Real Estate Agent)

And so, the Real Estate Agent explained.

Yesterday, the Earl suddenly appeared before the Real Estate Agent and demanded to purchase this store as *[[The Earl's property]]*

He wanted the REA to act as an intermediary to sign a new contract with the owner and me.

And in the afternoon, the REA hurriedly visited the elder couple, the owners of this store and purchased it.

Suddenly, a noble came and asked to sell the store considerably higher than the market

price. It was a great deal and in the first place, they couldn't turn down the noble. So, they agreed to sell the shop.

In any case, as long as the owner changed, I was forced to contract with the new renting conditions presented by the owner.

[That's why it's also difficult for me as well...

I'm sorry to change the conditions in the middle of the previous contract.

However, if you are dissatisfied,

You only have to cancel the contract.

Which do you prefer? I thought you would refuse it so...] (REA)

Well, he must be really surprised that I received the contract under that condition.

Well well, I can always look for another rental shop from now on, refurbishing the shop, moving out, but it will take time, money, and we have to take a break for the time being...

If it's normal. (Average)

But, with such irritable conditions, people will normally choose that...

Yeah, if it's normal. (Average) *(T.N: Kaoru repeats it)*

However, as soon as I reopened the shop, that Earl probably will appear again.

Say [I owe this property...]

For now, I will have a talk to the Real Estate Agency that looks a bit sorry for me.

[Well, let's have a little consultation, I have something to ask...] (Kaoru)

Yes, as a girl or as a merchant, I won't tolerate it if they look down on me.

Behold the anger of the Nagase clan!

Chapter 68

The technique of empty cicada

[Hmm, should I collect the goods from that store now...?] (Oram)

First thing in the morning, Earl Oram decided to visit the drug store that he just bought yesterday.

As expected, he planned to do it as soon as he signed up the contract.

Even he withdrew yesterday after signing the contract, he didn't mean to leave it untouched.

Yes, first of all, he will collect items of the store that seems to be useful to him.

Instruct the tenant not to sell what he wants to collect and lower the price.

Other items will be sold at a high price, and half of the sales will go in his pocket.

For an Earl, the sales of small shops are insignificant.

The reason he bought that shop isn't for the money.

It's just 『to acquire that store and “all” of its handled goods』

All.

Yes, material routes, medicine manufacturing methods, glass roofing and pottery acquisition routes, everything.

And it's not bad to have that shopkeeper.

She is somewhat young, then again, she somewhat suits in his strike zone.

It is about time to arrive...

[We arrived] (Coach)

As the coach said so, the escorts in the carriage got off first and confirmed the safety of the surroundings with the cavalry escorts. The Earl stomped on the prepared staircase and got off the carriage slowly.

Then he opened the door of the target drug store and stepped in slowly...

[[Welcome!]] (Emil + Bell)

How strange, he was greeted with two aligned un-familiar voices.

[Huh...?] (Oram)

And the Earl opened his eyes wide looking at the surroundings.

...There is nothing.

Item shelves that were lined up along the walls, the medicinal pots that were lined up there, the glasswork, the ceramics, the items that he didn't understand well, everything.

Inside the shop, there is only one table, there are several items like lunch boxes arranged on it.

The clerks are 1 young man between 16 and 17 years old and a girl between 11 and 12 years old.

There is no shopkeeper girl and her little sister.

[What...!?] (Oram)

Earl Oram is dumbfounded.

After plenty of seconds solidified, the Earl cried out loud to Emil.

[Wh... wha... what is this!?

What about the medicines and ceramics!?

Where're those girls?] (Oram)

Emil calmly plugs his ears to defend from the shouting and then he explained.

[Oh, if you ask about the manager, she is in the shop] (Emil)

[Where is she!? I can't find her anywhere!] (Oram)

Emil calmly rephrased on the face of the angry Earl Oram in detail.

[She is in the branch office.

Whatever you say, we can't live if we are in a deficit here.

We will not be able to keep our promise with our suppliers if we have to tell you everything about them.

That's why we decided to sell only the things that we do not mind tell you everything. In the morning, we will sell lunch boxes for lunch, mainly for hunters.

So, at a reasonable time, we will close the store and we will also go to work.

30 box lunches with the price 3 small silver coins each. If we sold out, we would get 90 small silver coins.

If we kept selling for about 20 days a month, we would get a total of 18 small gold coins.

Since half of it will be paid for the rent, it's 9 small gold coins per month. Well, it's a reasonable amount of money.

If it sells out every day though...

So today, from here on, this head office has become a warehouse / residential and lunch box store.

And the drug store has moved to the branch office] (Emil)

[Wha... what are you saying!?] (Oram)

Yes, after that, Kaoru required the Real Estate Agent and asked for an empty shop to be rented instantly.

The Real Estate Agent tried to claim that 『It's not my responsibility』

Yes, Kaoru knew that he would not admit it and would say such a thing.

And then Kaoru took out the agreement from the item box

Then she let him read the contract and pointed to the part

“if the shop I lost credit, they must temporarily provide the tenant an empty shop. ...On the same day.”

Of course, from the beginning, Kaoru didn't intend to open there for a long time.

So, even if she called it the head office, it didn't mean anything, as long as she got another place she could use immediately,... no matter where.

And, it's the 『Atelier Riette Mk-II』 that will be provided under the condition of unqualified rent service, with the first week free of rental fee.

From outside, she called it 『branch』 or 『second store』, but in Kaoru's head, it's 『Mk-II』.

Kaoru was still pondering whether to make it 『G』 or 『Mk-II』

And Emil was supposed to guide Earl Oram to the branch office when he made a noise at the head office.

Even if Emil ignores him, he will search for it without permission and he will find it soon anyway.

If so, it will be better for Emil to guide him there quickly and clean everything up.

It's such a judgment.

[Bell, even this is just a branch store. But if we have too many un-sold lunchboxes on the first day, Kaoru will be sad] (Emil)

Yes, in fact, these lunch boxes,

It wasn't made with the potion ability, Kaoru made it with her own hands together with Bell.

Of course, there are also spices that produced within a moment with her ability, but Kaoru thought [[It's something different]]

Kaoru adhered to that.

[...I understand] (Bell)

Even Emil may get dangerous from the way there, Bell waves her hand to part with him lightly, it's like there's no emotion.

It's by no means ruthless.

If this is something else, Bell would keep insisting to go with Emil.

However, this time, it's concerned with the safety of Kaoru-sama.

Bell doesn't have any fighting ability, and the best she can do is defeating one enemy with a secret knife in surprise. But she may also become a hostage and hinder everyone.

If that is the case, she'd better remain here to protect Kaoru-sama's castle, the temple. And in the worst case that Emil passed away, Bell will take the role the shield of Kaoru-sama instead of Emil and continue to protect her until the day when she can meet him again with the goddess of this world, Celestine.

That was Bell's loyalty.

And even if she makes a mistake, she should not disturb Emil's own loyalty and fulfill her own responsibilities.

Because they are saved by the goddess, they are members of the Goddess' Eyes who

pledge allegiance to the goddess!

Too heavy.

Without knowing Bell's determination, Kaoru was tending Atelier Riette Mk-II.
And Riette-chan is sitting on her knee.

Chirin (Door Bell SFX)

[Welcome~ (Irasshaimase~)!] (Kaoru)

[We~l~com~e (I-ra-ra-chi~ya ~imache~)] (Riette)

Yeah, Riette-chan, it was decided that she will do the traditional performing art a little more.

[Oh, isn't it Emil, what's wrong? Oh... Earl-something-sama...!] (Kaoru)

[It's Earl Oram! Hey, Young Girl, why are you doing this...?] (Oram)

[Well, if you are being threatened unreasonably and asked for the secret of money and goods,

You will not comply, just like me as well, won't you?

Because I'm not stupid...] (Kaoru)

[Wh... what...!?] (Oram)

The Earl looks surprised, but is it really such a surprise?

[I have not broken the promise.

I guarantee everything written on the contract, and I will pay half of the sales of our lunch boxes every week to the Earl, right?] (Kaoru)

As I said so with a flat face, The Earl yelled at me with a red face.

[What, what are you saying? Toying with me like that.

Do you know what will happen if you make me angry?] (Oram)

[I do not think so though] (Kaoru)

[What?] (Oram)

Yes, I do not think so.

[If you buy this building again, I will just move to another building.

And if you buy the next building, I will move to another house from Mr. Lt. Colonel's parent's property.

And if you cause trouble again, I will move within the military premises.

They just need to lend me a private room and I can start it over there...] (Kaoru)

In addition, I can also make a stall-type mobile store, but there is no need to expose everything to him.

Perhaps, Earl Oram has also considered the effort and number of days to move the shop and probably thought that I could not be able to change the store.

However, when he looked at the shop where I relocated easily overnight, he should have noticed his idea was wrong.

[Mu, mung...] (Oram)

Army and nobility, their business is different.

However, if a noble dared to cause trouble to a helpless girl who was in the care of another noble's son. The other noble won't remain silent, he is also an Earl, the father of Mr. Lt. Colonel.

And if in the worst case, the rumor about his arrogance will spread all over the country.

And for an aristocrat who respects honor and body, it won't benefit him.

Furthermore, if I move the shop to the military premises, he can no longer cause trouble to me,... completely.

The only thing he will get is the ridiculous stigma from lightly harassed a young girl with his common sense.

[Besides, if you cause us too much trouble, I will close the store and move to another country.

I came from other countries, so, I don't have to live in this country, by all means. I can just go to another country, I have enough money and connection to re-open the store anywhere.

And before moving to another country, I will apology to our customers, the citizen of the capital, Lt. Colonel, the King Army, the City Guards, and Royal Guards. Because I can't bear the impossible demand from Earl Oram so I must close down my shop suddenly...] (Kaoru)

Even the Earl still has a red face from angry, he remains silent.

Well, if such a thing happens, his reputation in the Capital will crumble. He will get all the grudge and hatred from King Army, City Guards, and Royal Guards.

In the military, there are some rules for the aristocrat, his siblings, and various other stakeholders.

Of course, there will be some for the large merchants as well.

Earl Oram has tried to utilize the Military Disease medicine under his control to make a connection and now he would turn those [people who he tried to make a connection] to his enemy, just to get resentment and hatred instead.

...As a noble, it would be a fatal mistake.

The principal, the family, and the factions to which he belongs.

No, his factions will drive him out immediately and other nobles will hesitate to connect with him.

Is it okay for Kaoru to appear so bullish to a noble?

Yeah, this country is pretty decent, no matter how much power a noble has, he isn't allowed to hurt the merchants who have benefit for the country.

If the country allows such a thing, there will no merchant doing business with the aristocrat because the noble can easily attack the Rich merchants and others.

As a result, the country cannot be established.

And why does the Earl not ask his guards to kill the girl who makes a fool out of him?

No, Francette and Roland have seen Emil leading the noble entered the shop with his guards.

They have entered the shop at a long time and are taking a position to slash their sword at any time.

They are pretending to be an ordinary customer, but their air says differently.

Perhaps, even the amateur escorts might understand that.

Somehow, the escorts kept sweating away from a while ago.

Chapter 69

Return to the original

As expected, Earl Oram never tried any foolish thing. Apparently, he already gave up. And knowing that the Earl seems to be quietly withdrawing, the escorts have a relieved face.

Yeah, they feel nauseous.

I wonder if they can tell it from someone above their level.

[Damn it, I was naive to think you were just some average girl!

It's completely "chess mate"

There's no point to continue and ruining my name...] (Oram)

The Earl apparently seemed to know the timing.

It was much more important and more difficult to discern the closure than starting. Everyone usually can't bear to abandon the investment that they have invested so far, believe in the possibility of one reversal, not recognize their own failure, and expand the damage more and more.

However, the Earl seemed to have a proper sense in that respect.

[I will sell the store back.

It's troublesome to hold such a property like a sales for lunch box, it's a big deficit.

It will hurt me more if funny rumors spread...

If you could move here in one night, I wonder if you could come back overnight.

I don't know how many people were hired, but...

I will not do any more trick, please return it quickly...

About that, it would be better to avoid funny hoaxes and rumors...] (Oram)

Oh, for the full-surrender, forgive me, and white flag?

[I understand...

...and, when you sell it back, it's not going to be higher than when you bought it, there is nothing like that, right?

Normally, at such a time, you must pull out a troublesome charge,

It's something to sell quite cheaply, don't you think?

You cause inconvenience for 3 sides because of your impossible selfish demand]
(Kaoru)

[Well... of,... of course.
Naturally, it is...] (Oram)

The Earl seems to be a little irritated but he still tries to answers with a cool face.

Well, I do not think that he will demand a price there, but I have to reduce a little for the owner's elder couple, or the real estate agent who suffered from anxiety.

Soon thereafter, Earl Oram withdrew.

For the time being, I made Emil return to the main office.
Even though Bell is determined, she must be worried,
It would be too cruel to leave her hanging.

And then I message the Real Estate Agent, asking to come to the branch in the afternoon.

Because the Earl said that he would go to the Real Estate Agency right after that, I need to talk to him as it is, in order to hear the result.

I can not relocate without confirmation and I want to know what kind of story it was.
It's unlikely that the Earl will make funny moves during this period, but there's a possibility that the Real Estate Agents would try to make use of that "delicious place"
(T.N: it's from the raw 美味しいところ = delicious place)

This time, the Real Estate Agent is also a victim who has been swayed around by the Earl.

The majority of the profit this time is only the elderly couple, who was the owner of the head office.

I should receive it. Not really.

And I do not have to take the trouble moving around.
Yes, the other side should come.

[I have caused you trouble this time...] (Oram)

Well, actually, the Real Estate Agent wasn't bad, it wasn't possible to refuse when it's the request from a noble and an Earl at that.

Also, the offer price from the Earl was never bad.

If the elder couple consented and decided to sell it, there was no fault in the Real Estate Agent who was an intermediary.

I know that. I know that but...

[If it was okay, can you "follow" for a bit...?] (Kaoru @ Oram?) (T.N: Follow in EN)

Yeah, I think so.

Well, The REA should know that I would not take such a condition from the Earl. However, if he refused the Earl back there, it would give me more time to prepare for the Earl's next trick.

In the first place, he should give up the condition that I could not afford.

Well, after all, removing the other's speculation,

〔As a jab, he should decide to refuse the impossible condition from the beginning appropriately〕

Frankly, he sucked, he wasn't well-trained,

That must be he didn't realize the hole in the contract with me.

Perhaps, if he was more competent, he could realize the last part of my contract, the insurance, he might have a more refined condition.

But that's a result.

At that point, he could show a little attitude to protect customers, like informing me in advance or stalling the Earl.

But he didn't try to prevent it, nor give me the time to think of a solution.

The Earl's visit should be decided at a later date after giving our shop a warning earlier. There were various ways etc.

Even when he didn't do anything he could do or should do, he still didn't think he is at fault.

And then, in that irritated Real Estate Shop, I confirmed what the Earl have done.

[So, what did the Earl saying?] (Kaoru)

To my question, the Real Estate Agent answered without any troubles.

[Yes, I bought back this property.

At first, I thought the price was the same amount he bought.

And then he told to sell it cheaper to the owner and give me some tips as the nuisance fee.

However, the owner couple already prepared to go to the city where their son and grandchildren live with the money they got.

They didn't want to buy it back now...

It was a pretty good price, the selling price.

So after I informed that to Earl, I decided to buy that property.

In other words, it's not an intermediary property but a property owned by us...] (REA)

Oh, somehow, he looks strangely happy.

[So, how much did you buy?] (Kaoru)

[Huh...!?] (REA)

The Real Estate Agent is surprised.

Doesn't he know?

That Earl thought the 『Atelier Riette』 is a good “chess” to make connections. He must spend a lot of money on it.

Well, the Earl should not be in need of money due to being poor, he was well dressed and had escorts properly.

He also looked fine when he left our shop, so probably, he wasn't in trouble with money.

And, in this case, even his plan ended in failure, he was most worried about strange rumors spreading and tainted his name rather the money.

...That's why the payment should be good.

And most of all, the Real Estate Agent, who went through a lot of trouble yesterday, was in a good mood now. It must be because he gets a lot of profits.

[...the rental fee, will you lower it down?] (Kaoru)

[Huh?] (REA)

[The rental will be lowered down, won't it?] (Kaoru)

[Well, no, that...] (REA)

[T-H-E R-E-N-T-A-L F-E-E!! Y-O-U W-I-L-L L-O-W-E-R I-T D-O-W-N, R-I-G-H-T?] (Kaoru)

[....., Yes] (REA)

Alright, I won!

And then I confirmed to rent only the head office, the lease contract of the second shop was canceled at the end today, and the talk was made that there is no rent (for the 2nd shop) etc.

No, in the contract, it was supposed to be free for a week anyway.

When the Real Estate Agent came home, we immediately closed the door and closed the curtain.

After that, I stored all the items in the item box together with the shelf.

Chairs, desks, etc. are also stored.

Originally, this is only a temporary temporary store, so I don't bring much baggage.

Still, I thought that it might take from 3 to 4 days, depending on circumstances, but it ended unexpectedly early.

Finally, put the billboard on the door.

『The temporary store has withdrawn.

Sales of medicines will return to the head office』 (Bill Board)

Yeah, it was only one day, but some customers went to the head office and listened to the relocation destination and came over here.

I told them it will be temporary, but I still needed a notice card.

And then, with Emil, Francette, Roland as escorts, we returned to the head office.

I will not come to this branch, no, former branch anymore.

Unless another funny aristocrat appears.

[We are home] (Kaoru)

Because it was time to shut down the branch, of course, the head office should also have passed the closing time.

The door and the wooden window are closed but aren't locked.

Bell couldn't lock the door when we were still outside.

And Bell, who should be waiting for our return on the bench... , wasn't there.

[Oh, Kaoru-sa~... -chan, you are late!

Please come and help me soon!] (Bell)

As she heard my voice, Bell came out from the back.

Somehow, she wore an apron.

She must be in a hurry that she forgot the recently setting 『Kaoru-chan』 with her habit 『Kaoru-sama』

[Wha... what are you so impatient about?] (Kaoru)

Bell cried out to me, I could not grasp the situation at all, so I asked back

[It's the lunch boxes!

If we do not prepare tomorrow's lunch boxes, we will not make it in time to start in the morning of tomorrow!] (Bell)

No, well, certainly we sold lunch boxes today,
Boiled soup or soaked in soup stock last night,
I was doing various things, but...

[Oh, I already deal with the Earl.

We already return the branch store to the REA and I will start selling medicine here normally from tomorrow.

So, that's okay] (Kaoru)

I tried to rest assured the bell, but Bell swung her head.

[No, that's no good.

The people, who were late to buy lunch boxes today because they came in the evening, have pre-ordered for tomorrow...

Even the customers who bought lunch-boxes also booked for tomorrow as well.

We will need an addition of 50 lunch boxes or more.
In total, at least 80 lunch boxes will need to be made...] (Bell)

[Eeeeeeehh~!] (Kaoru)

30 lunch boxes were made for sale today.
It was already hard to keep up with it early this morning. And now, we need to make 80 pieces?

[Today's sales are...] (Kaoru)

[Of course, it's sold out.
And it must be because we didn't advertise.
At first, it was late to sell, but at the moment when the lunch-boxes sales became known, it was sold like hotcakes (metaphor, this world doesn't have hotcakes yet)
I think we can even sell 100 pieces tomorrow...] (Bell)

[Wha... what?] (Kaoru)

The food store is painful to manage.
Purchasing, preparation, cooking, hospitality.
Anyway, the restraint time is long, standing work, a lot of works.

And if you mistake the forecast of sales, you will get a large amount of waste food.
...Well, in my case, thanks to the item box, there are no losses due to disposal.
Anyway, I have no intention to do a food shop all the time!

[Well, why did you start the lunchbox sales?] (Roland)

Roland heard I raised my voice and wondered about it.

[Drugs, ceramics, other things that are likely to become money so the noble might be interested in it.

So I chose something the noble will not want and still be able to sell and make customers happy.

And the conclusion is only dishes...

I thought that it was only a few days anyway.

It would be okay if it's only about 30 pieces a day...

But why do you take a reservation? (Last line to Bell)] (Kaoru)

Bell looks sorry, it's just like I have an "outburst of anger".

As early as the morning, she did not think that I would solve the problem in 1 day.

If the customer willingly will buy it, Bell will of course willingly sell and accept the reservation.

She thought that I would be delighted.

Certainly, it is much nice to sell out than have left over.

In a sense, it wasn't about profit, but the lunch box that I made my best was not going to waste and the customer was pleased.

And that must be the same for Bell because we made it together.

[...Sorry] (Bell)

Bell apologized to me obediently.

[So, please do your best...] (Francette)

I caught the shoulder of Francette who was about to get out.

[You think I will let you escape?] (Kaoru)

Yes, young lady, you must give me a hand.

Men?

No, there are not many people who want to eat lunch made by men.

Besides, it doesn't seem to me that Emil and Roland are useful for making lunch.

[Well, let's do our best! Shall we?] (Kaoru)

With that saying, I dragged Francette and headed to the back to the kitchen.

Oh, before that, I have to put out drug cabinets from the item box.

And let the men arrange them...

Chapter 70

Tiresome...

From that day, I began making 100 lunch boxes to ready for sale.

And on the morning of the fifth day, I get up early like usual.

I can't afford to prepare it in the night because the tastes will go down as time passes.

And I completed all the lunch boxes.

The number is 100 pieces.

It's 50 pieces for reservation and 50 pieces for general sales.

Reservations are limited to 50 pieces.

No, this is the limit of manufacturing capacity, honestly, it exceeds the limit.

It will be easy if I make it with potion creation ability, but I think it's different.

I can sell medicine with ability, but I can't do so with lunch boxes.

I'm in trouble if you ask me what is different though.

However, I will not retreat there,

I, Nagase Kaoru (in Kanji), no, I'm Kaoru (in Katakana) now.

If I don't hold on my principle, with my ability I can make

[[a little chemical in a barrel container filled with gold coins]]

And

[[a little chemical in his mouth or stomach, a good man container]]

This is a blasphemy against God?

About that...

[[What's God?]]

No,... those Earthlings believe in the immortal being, a conceptual real God.

This world is managed by a Goddess, and even I don't fear this Goddess, it somehow becomes a terrible act.

It was scary.

So drop that topic, about the lunch boxes, even though I made 100 of it but there are variations.

It's troublesome to make a variety of things, so I didn't make a big difference, I only changed the type of side dishes a little, depending on the preference of those who worked on the production.

Yes, I made 8 kinds of side dishes, and I picked 5 kinds of them.

Besides me, Bell and Francette, and Riette-chan also picked one of them.

They didn't participate in the creation of side dishes, they just decided the type of side dishes and packed it in the container.

As for the reservation, I didn't separate it out from the beginning but after the general sales ended, 50 lunch boxes of 100 stocks sold.

The reservation customers will choose from among the remaining ones. If they want something, they should come sooner. "Early bird gets the worm"

Well, everyone has chosen soy sauce pickles, shiitake and so on.

No, I wanted to take it easy as possible with this!

Oh, the seasoning of soy sauce or sugar etc. are issued with potion making ability.

It's within the acceptable range. Otherwise, I can't do it. [Well, this is this and that is that]

We arrange boxed lunches in the shop and have breakfast separately.

By the way, Francette got up early and helped out, but it seems that Roland is still sleeping in the inn.

Emil also sleeps on the second floor.

So, the meals are only for women who make lunch.

I thought about letting Riette-chan sleep but she noticed that I got up and got up together.

A child will need sleep to grow up properly, in other words, I need to let her sleep later...

I have to think of something...

But if I'm away from the "bed", she will probably get angry.

Umm...

And, it's about time that the hunters departing in the morning and craftsmen at work site are starting to buy lunch boxes...

How come from the lunch boxes I made, [Kaoru-ben] is the most remaining one!

It's selling less than [France-ben] of Francette, [Bell-ben] of Bell, and [Rie-ben] of Riette-chan!

Why?

No, I'm confident that the balance of side dishes is the best!
In general, I'm the one who thought of all the side dishes and seasoning.
I can't accept it!!
So, I asked the customers.

[Ah, the [[France-ben]]
Because it is stuffed with strength, there is quantity,
And we are hungry.
It is exactly right for us] (Customer A)

[[Bell bento]] is healthy because it doesn't contain fried food.
As for the hunted rabbit, because we can't bring back the internal organs, we usually
cook and eat it on site at hunting grounds.
It's exactly right for us] (Customer B)

[[Rie-ben]] is cute. It feels like something my daughter does her best and made it for
me...] (Customer C)

[But you,
Far away from her daughter and wife,
You do not even have a lover...] (Customer D)

[Shut up (Urusai)! That's why!] (Customer C)

[...sorry] (Customer D)

[Ah, uhm,... what about the [[Kaoru-ben]] ?] (Kaoru)

[Ah, [[Kaoru-ben]] ,
[[Kaoru bento]] is
Well... if I must say...] (Customer)

[What do you say?] (Kaoru)

[[[[Average?]]]] (Customers)

Dumbfounded

Dumbfounded, a "Salad oil set"

[Oh no, it's delicious, 『Kaoru-ben』 is also tasted just as good as the others, of course!]
(Customer)

Seeing me kind of downhearted, the customer tried to cheer me in a panic.
Naturally, all of the side dishes have the same taste, because I am the one who made it!

Gununununununu (SFX like biting lip)



[Captain, the sisters of the drugstore have come!] (Soldier)

[Let them in!] (Lt. Col)

When the guided soldier knocked on the door of the captain's room and declared it, I heard the voice of Lt. Colonel from inside.

Then the soldier opens the door and leads us into the room.

[Eh...?] (Kaoru)

Because he let us in, I thought that Mr. Lt. Colonel was alone but when I entered the room, there were five men sitting on the sofa for visitors surrounding the table.

Of course, one of them is the Lieutenant Colonel.

Oh, the other four people are slightly under the Lieutenant Colonel, from the lines and figures of things like the ranking?

That means...

[Oh, let me introduce you, my men's middle captains of four squads.

This is the sister of "that" pharmacy, the wholesale medicine for us] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Col. introduced both sides.

[Ho, she is "that"...] (Mid. Cap 1)

[She is younger than I expected. To be the exclusive sales of that medicine, I thought she must be quite a bit...] (Mid. Cap 2)

Just like Mr. Lt. Colonel, everyone is nice persons. There's no one make fun or look down on me.

Well, are there any great men who intimidate the civilian girls who are as young as their own granddaughters?

Such idiots can't be a middle captain.

However, in the presence of subordinates and enemies, I wonder if they will have another face?

[So, did you drive away that aristocrat who planned to get your shop?] (Lt. Col)

Yes, Mr. Lt. Col. asked.

Information is spreading fast.

Or... were you watching?

[...Well, it was as much as chasing away an "insect", I guess?] (Kaoru)

[Fuhaha, tell me about it!] (Mid. Cap)

In my reply, one of the middle captains, not Mr. Lt. Col. laughed and said so.

His class is Captain(OF-2 大尉) or Major (OF-3 少佐)?

Anyway, the string of the bag that digs into the shoulder is heavy and it hurts

As the documents are placed on the table in front of the sofa where the captains sit, and the medicines aren't something to put it on the floor, so, I put it on the desk of Mr. Lt. Colonel.

Then took out the box of medicine from the bag and lined them up.

I thought about reducing the number this time, but in the end, I brought the same amount as before.

[You didn't share the medicine with the Royal Guards and the City Guards...] (Kaoru)

As I said it with a little sarcastic, Mr. Lt. Col. responded with a blank face.

[Why do you mention about them?

What (on earth) in the world are you talking about?] (Lt. Col)

It seemed like he was really curious about my words from the bottom of his heart.

So, he really didn't do anything bad, right?

Maybe he just thought they are the completely different organizations, so he didn't even think about it.

That was it.

Actually, Mr. Lt. Col. was not bad.

Everything is due to my ignorance...

Let's reflect on it.

And something like a document on the table suddenly caught my attention.

[...Eh?] (Kaoru)

There, it was written.

[Advanced Military Disease Drug 2 Small Gold Coins.
Pepper 10g 3 small Gold Coins] (Document)

Is it cheaper than the selling price?

The medicine is two thirds of the price I sell.

Also considering pepper, from the market price, roughly about it?

I heard that the military disease treatment for the soldiers is free because medical expenses are owned by the country.

But what is this amount?

[You took advance of my medicine!

Moreover, you put in front of me without hiding it!

Are you playing around?] (Kaoru)

With my sudden outburst, Mr. Lt. Col is surprised and other middle captains are dumbfounded.

However, I didn't like to be taken advance of or looked down.

Didn't they get that when I dealt with that noble?

Anyway, I start putting the medicine for this time on the desk of Mr. Lt. Colonel back into the bag and carried it on the shoulder.

[We will stop the deal...] (Kaoru)

[...wait... Wait wait!

What on earth are you talking about?

What are you getting angry with?] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lieutenant Colonel stands up in a panick, saying so, but what are you saying without trying to hide the documents on the table...

[What is that document?

Advanced Military Disease Drug 2 Small Gold Coins.

Pepper 10g 3 small Gold Coins

The military treatment cost is free!

What's with that amount of money?

Are you stealing money from the country and soldiers?] (Kaoru)

[[[[[Huh...?]]]]] (5 captains)

When listening to my cry of anger, Mr. Lt. Col had the look of astonishment like a blank face.

[You,... you can read this!?] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Colonel thought that even though I could talk, I couldn't read or write.

Who did he think writing the instructions of the medicine and the letter that the child of the orphanage had given to him?

[About the language of this country, I can read and write!] (Kaoru)

[Well, no, I know it.

I heard that it is a contact point of a moment that flows across military supplies.

It means that you can read the document written in this cipher code] (Lt. Col)

[...Eh?] (Kaoru)

[[[[[...]]]]] (5 captains)

[...Eeeeh?] (Kaoru)

[[[[[.....]]]]] (5 captains)

[Eeeeeeeeeeeeeehhh!] (Kaoru)

『The Ability to read, write, conversation in all languages in this world』
Is encryption included in 『language』 ?

[Gy...] (Kaoru)

[[[[[Gy?]]]]] (5 captains)

[Gyaaaaaaaaa~~!!] (Kaoru)

Chapter 71

Escape

I gently placed the bag on the desk of Mr. Lt. Colonel, taken out the medicine boxes from inside and arranged it on the desk.

[...there's nothing happening just now...] (Kaoru)

[[[[[Like hell it is!!]]]]] (5 Captains)

...I know it.

And I will be questioned.

[What does this mean!?

Why can you read a cryptic code?

No, I don't suspect you or anything, so don't be frightened.

You are like a friend of us, there is no point bothering to read the ciphertext.

Unless you are a completely idiot.

And you are not stupid... I know that you are not that stupid] (Lt. Col)

[Why did you bother to repeat it?] (Kaoru)

Damn it.

But I can not argue about that point.

Even though it's Celes' fault for not inform me but it's true that I took a big "Poca" (Blunder) this time.

I must somehow manage to escape this mess myself!

[Oh, that is... it's a very simple cipher, just like fooling around. So anyone can understand it at a glance!] (Kaoru)

[...Our military expert team has already tried to decipher for three weeks] (Lt. Col)

[[[[[.....]]]]] (4 V. Captains)

As Mr. Lt. Col said so, there was an awkward silence in the room...
No way, I must do something!

When I saw it before without thinking, it just looked like a random character string which I knew the meaning, but when I looked it again calmly and properly, I could now read the composition of the sentences.

That's right. Because the ability makes I be able to read and write. I can write it as well, not only I can read it.

In order to write, it's useless if I don't understand the law of character strings.

[Well, first read the sentences vertically, the first number you get is 4.

So, you need to convert all the letters to the last four letters.

And the second number hit in the longitudinal reading is 3, Skip three letters at a time to pick up letters and then line up... then...] (Kaoru)

In a hurry, middle captains take notes of my explanation.
And as my explanation ends.

[...and,
Even with such a tremendously time-consuming substitution work,
Did you finish it within a moment?
Without taking notes, just in your head?] (Lt. Col)

Sure enough, Mr. Lt. Col joined in again.
But, I already thought of how to answer it.

[Eh? With just something this level, do you really have that much trouble?] (Kaoru)

Gyyaaaaaaa!
I can't believe I said that one line in my Dark History "Chuunibyou"

But I can not explain without saying something like this, it can not be helped!

[[[[[.....]]]]] (5 Captains)

...I already want to return home.

[Are you going to enter the military?

Now, you will be (陸軍少尉 OF-1) Second Lieutenant as an information officer, no I will I will appoint you as (陸軍中尉 OF-1) First Lieutenant] (Lt. Col)

Oh, First Lieutenant!

It's Mr. Officer, Mr. Executive!

Suddenly cadres,

What a good treatment!

Not in civilian affairs

What Lt. Col tried to give is a class as a soldier,
simply

Would it not be possible to quit?

[Who in the world would sign up for that!!] (Kaoru)

Hahaaa.



And, I surprised everyone didn't detain me, I managed to come home.

Riette-chan was the air all the time, it seems that she did not understand our story,
she looked bored.

No, sorry.

When I returned to the store, I took over the store watching from Bell and Emil, and
the two departed for work as hunters.

Today, they went hunting beasts instead of harvesting materials.

Yeah yeah, they seem to be growing, more than anything.

And, as usual, I put Riette-chan on my knee and sat on the store counter.

The lunch boxes have already been sold out.

For a while, Selling abdominal pain medicine and military disease medicine drugs etc.
to customers.

Military disease, of course, also spread among civilians, but the morbidity rate is not
high enough like soldiers.

If anything, it was just a few people wearing leather shoes, covered with sweat all day.
Initially, sealed leather shoes are luxury goods.

Soldier disease medicines are not something that they can buy on their own if they don't know a supply.

For abdominal pain, if the cause is a parasite, I will kill it in one shot with a stomachache medicine, kill the bacteria if they stuck, decompose toxins, visceral disorders feel, relief of pain and cure.

It can be cured if it's transient, however, the parasite is disgusting and I don't want to spread it, so it's "total annihilation"!

Because ordinary diseases are all-cured by drinking my medicine. It's rather troublesome when the rumors spread. I reap what I sow... damn it

And then my customer service is interrupted.

[I'm sorry, could you sell me all the wash-up medicines and beauty medicines you sold the other day?

And also the perfume you gave as a trial.

I need 5 sets in total] (Maid)

When the maid who came into the store, she walked up to the counter and said so.

I don't recognize her face, but from the content being said, I immediately recognize her identity.

Um, the wife of that nobleman who tried to monopolize my medicines.

For 5 sets of hair wash and beauty medicine, 30 small coins.

Perfume is pretty much the same with 3 small gold coins and it will be 15 small gold coins with 5 bottles.

Total, 45 small gold coins!

[About that, the perfume is kinda expensive. In total, everything will cost 45 small gold coins, is it okay?] (Kaoru)

When I asked somehow hesitant, Maid answered happily.

[Yes, I have 10 gold coins from Madame, so...] (Maid)

DAMN ITTTTT~! I MESSED UP AGAINNNNNNNNN~!!

Well, I thought that the price I offered before made the noble in the deficit,
Or the perfumes didn't sell at all even I offered samples.
Aren't I an Idiot thinking that price may be too expensive?

Anyway, I failed!

In this case, it was okay to raise it to 70 small gold coins, that is, about 7 gold coins...
(The same as Mitsuha's Gravure)

No, no, wait, wait. If I do such a thing, it becomes the price that the commoners can not buy!

I can raise luxury goods beauty medicine and perfume a little higher but I must make cheap shampoos.

I was reconsidering so while wrapping the product. And then I suddenly came up to ask the maid.

[Uhm, how is the state of your Madame?

Was she bragging to other nobles, such as the condition of her hair and her skin?]
(Kaoru)

Yeah, it's a marketing research on publicity.

Our 『Atelier of Riette』 is a leading company that incorporates the latest method!

[Ah, yes. She already did that... her hair is smooth, her skin also slippery
And she somehow in high tension...

『It looks like I got back when I was a young girl!』

It's been a big deal...] (Maid)

Eh?

It certainly has an effect better than that of the earth, but it shouldn't be that dramatic...

Or, maybe the effects of shampoo and rinse are clearly visible and are more effective than actual?

Umm, a 『Placebo』 effect!

Next time I meet her, I may thank her in Russian... is it 『Spasibo』 ?

(T.N: 『Placebo』 and 『Spasibo』 pronoun similar in Katakana JP)

[So, what's about boasting to other noble ladies?] (Kaoru)

[Yes, that's it!

And then, toward the ladies who envy and want to know her secret.

She gave them a full laugh 『Ho ho ho』

That is somewhat evil... She looks like having fun.] (Maid)

That's right, that's good...

[You say the other noble ladies wanted to know her secret...

Wait...

What is about the propaganda of our store?

The place where she bought all that...] (Kaoru)

[What are you talking about?

Does a noble lady bother to teach other noble ladies the secret of her own secret superiority beauty?

Is your head alright?] (Maid)

Ga~~n! (*Shocking SFX*)

No matter how long I wait, the advertising effect will not appear...

Expecting the propaganda effect from that noble wife was a mistake. She didn't propagate basic cosmetics to others!

It's too troublesome for us to advertise.

Well, that is...

Damn, if this is the case, I'll show it to the eyes of the public!

[...a bit, come over here] (Kaoru)

[Eh, what...] (Maid)

I pulled the hand of the maid who is obstinate and brought her to the back.

And, with a signal by my chin, Riette-chan lowers the 『Temporary break』 tag to the entrance door and locks the door.

[What exactly are you...] (Maid)

❖ And after 2 hours

A girl with fluffy hair, glossy skin, and perfectly made make-up clothes that had a nice smell came out of the [[Atelier Riette]]

She was somewhat excited.

The girl seemed a bit wobbly, but she seemed to be very happy, she went back with the shopping baggage.

[Okay, this is the second advertisement plan. Completed!

If it's just a commoner, she can't refuse to talk if aristocrats or powerful people ask her about it!] (Kaoru)

However, even after that, there was no appearance of selling basic cosmetics.

...It is natural.

The noble wife, who received the items, kept the maid on the spot.

And the maid, who had perfect makeup, was never come in front of other noble ladies until her makeup effect ceased and returned to the original.

In addition, the wife studied carefully, looking at the make-up and practiced repeatedly as a reference for reproducing it with hand cosmetics, and further evolution was achieved... *(T.N: Just like Amateur used Cosmetics after witnessing a Salon used Cosmetics will improve her makeup skill)*

Chapter 72

Treasure Hunt 1

[Is the lady shopkeeper here?] (Soldier)

A while after the store's opening, the busy time due to the lunch also passed, one soldier appeared.

It's not a lower-level soldier, he is about 40 years old and seems to be a little superior. Oh, I don't mean his attitude but his class.

[Oh, lady shopkeeper, actually, I have a favor to ask!] (Soldier)

Eh, this person, I remember...

He is one of the four middle captains who met the other day with Mr. Lt. Col!

[Uhm... , how may I help you...] (Kaoru)

Without knowing the detail, I can't decide.

[Umm, about that... , actually...] (V. Captain)

Mr. V. Captain was somewhat hesitant, he looked around and told me in a small voice.

[...Actually, it's a confidential request. Can you come to my mansion and see me in person?] (V. Captain)

[Eh...!?] (Kaoru)

What should I do?

Actually, I don't think this person will do strange things against me.

Except for two cases.

One: this person is a part of that military supply sideways flow, came to deal with me

who can read the cipher.

Although they can change the encryption, as I can decrypt again, it's will be the same. So they want to break the root of the problem.

Two: this man was a pedo and he had his eyes on me.

No, Nope Nope!

If he wants to get rid of me, he won't go through all the trouble to come here by himself. Usually, he will do it himself or his men to do it in the middle of the night.

And this person, he seems to be serious middle age man, he doesn't seem to be a pedophile...

No, he may be a pedo, but I don't think a pedo dares to ask people come directly to his house.

...and somehow, it looks interesting.

Recently, I got caught up in bad things, I was busy with clattering, so I want to change the pace a little bit.

Besides, I am not in trouble with money.

No, in order to do business, shouldn't I make the maximum profit possible?

Selling it at a low price that breaks the market price or doing a cranky business would be annoying to other traders and makes a fool of God of business.

It's unacceptable.

So...

[Business trip fee, one small gold coin] (Kaoru)

[Ah, yes... Please!] (V. Captain)

Well, that price will be fine.

[Riette-chan, we are leaving] (Kaoru)

[Yes!] (Riette)

Riette-chan replies well and starts to close the wooden window.
After she closes the windows, she also closes the back door on the second floor, and then the entrance.

[The residence is about 20 minutes from here.] (V. Captain)

Oh, the other side of the royal palace?
Somewhat distant...
Not with the sense of this world.

Since Bell and Emil went out to work as hunters, the shop was temporarily closed.

I took Riette-chan and moved on foot.
Even though he is a noble but because he is a soldier as well, he walks just fine without using a horse-drawn carriage.

I also don't bother to prepare my chariot carriage or renting one.
Once in a while, I have to exercise my body, it's also good for Riette-chan's growth.

Looking back at the glance on the way, Francette and Roland were following me.
Did both of them always keep watching our shop?
Where, from what time to what time?
No holidays?

Well, I have to ask them later.
No way, don't tell me they are standing all day in the alley.
Which black company are you?

That is why I arrived at the house of the Company Leader.
Well, considering the distance from this building and the center of the royal city, maybe he isn't that great.
Perhaps, his family is a Baron or a Viscount?

Even if Mr. Lt. Colonel is the son of an Earl...
He is just the third son, he isn't going to succeed in the future. Does that mean Mr. Col. Lady isn't so great either?

And then, after passing through the gate, we headed to the entrance...

[Welcome home master] (Servants)

Eeeeeh!?

Master? The owner of the active aristocracy who already succeeded the rank?
Then, doesn't that mean his aristocrat state higher than Mr. Lt. Col?

Even the Earl's rank is higher than the Baron or a Viscount,
The third son still won't be counted as an aristocrat yet. So, as individuals, Mr. Captain
is still lower rank than Mr. V. Captain.

Well, it's bad to make the enemy out of the Earl, so it can't be helped.

It's a power relationship.

Besides, they are an officer and a subordinate of the same unit, so it doesn't matter.
Both in the military and the company, the ranks, and positions within the organization
are everything.

Your parents, parents, age, educational background, it doesn't matter.

Just like that damn section chief.

Have an attitude, looking down on the clerks,...

No no, that the story in the past.

[Oh, that, the middle captain, are you the master of this house?] (Kaoru)

[Oh, did I forget to tell you?

Yes, I am Sevos von Larslick, the Larslick Viscount] (Sevos)

As expected!

Well, I will not change my attitude even with the aristocrats.

After all, I'm the woman who even yells at royalty.

Hahahaha... However, I will not be rude with aristocrats without reason.

And, as it is, we came into the middle captain's study.

An office room?

Somehow it was such a room.

His families and servants are excluded, the only members are Mr. V. Captain me and
Riette-chan (air mode), only three people.

Well, finally, the main purpose... not

[I brought the tea] (Maid)

Oh, tea and sweets are appreciated.

And then, after the maid came out, it's finally the main purpose this time.

Mushy... (Riette-chan's eating sweets SFX)

Yeah, Riette-chan is eating sweets.

I have a cup of tea.

As for the middle Captain, because he walks at the speed that the army usually marches, he isn't tired and thirsty at all.

He doesn't have any problem as a soldier, but he should be a little more concern about young girls...

No no no, I'm sorry for being a poisonous woman who searching marriage partner!
I was bad...

And then, when I start drinking the tea.

[Actually, there was a treasure hiding in my mansion. I want to ask you to search for this treasure] (Sevos)

Bu~fu~ge~e~go~ho! (Kaoru tried to stop blowing out the tea SFX*)

I was able to stop blowing out the tea in my mouth.

They look expensive, yes, his clothes, the sofa, and carpet etc.

Even if I allow to make a mistake, I will not blow the tea out here.

So, I desperately endured and swallowed it.

And finally, after cleaning my throat.

[Why did you say it at such timing?] (Kaoru)

Damn, that *Pokan (dumbfound)* face.

For real, he didn't realize what he did?

Someday, I will make you blow the tea out in front of Mr. Lt. Col!

Well, anyway, let's hear his explanation.
If he doesn't explain it, nothing will start.

And, from what V. Captain said, it seems that the Larslick family isn't very well off.
No, sorry. He is working in the military, so he isn't really that poor...

Because his eldest brother, who was supposed to succeed to the house and rank, inadvertently died, so he became the next in the line heir.

All of sudden Mr. V. Captain became the head, he moved to the capital and lived with his wife and children.

And he seemed to be working for the Viscount family in various ways both in military service and in society.

Well, that story isn't uncommon for aristocrats.

Well then, what's the problem?
...There is nothing.

Yes, money.

After all, they are poor!

Crop failure lasted for several years, they brought out all the stockpiles stored in the estate,
They even bought food with the gold coins left in the vault.

However, there's the same fail crop in the neighboring territory.
It is costly to buy and carry from afar, not to mention bandit may attack, other farmers may also try to steal it for their wife and children.

The expenses for the escorts cost them even further.
This year, somehow the harvest was pretty much at the same as usual, he wanted to help but both the vault and the stock food cabinet were almost empty.

If they still have something, it's now to use it.

Even if it's not really fatal, but there's also an epidemic disease,
There are also a large-scale bandit group flows.

For the current Larslick Territory, they are at 『one last push』 situation.
Yes, it could be a grave situation.

If it is normal, this might be the end of this family.
They must borrow money from some big noble,
Being 『slave-like』 as bound by money and obligation,
There is no other choice but to accept the declining of the name of the Viscount.

Yes, 『If it is normal』

Actually, there are hidden assets in the Larslick family...
No, it should be 『there were』

Long ago, an uninhabited large ship arrived at the Larslick Territory which facing the sea.

That ship is the type that the people of this country have never seen before,
all the crew already died, their water and food seemed to be exhausted,
However, the shipment and safe were untouchable.

They are things that can neither be drunk nor eaten, namely, ceramics, swords, other trade items, and funds for buying, that is, a large number of gold coins and jewels.

Back then, the barren Larslick territory had already been in danger of repeatedly fail crop.

The head of the family at that time secretly convert some of the treasure into gold coins of this country. And with part of that money, the Lord had overcome the crisis of his territory.

[This is it.

I want to ask you for deciphering!] (Sevos)

That's it, one parchment that Captain Chief offered me.

[From generation to generation, this information on this document has only been conveyed to the head of the family.

The information about the good, the treasure that our grandparent kept safe.

And the third generation head, my eldest brother, was also the only one who knew that information.

However, he died in an accident before telling it to the next generation, which is me...]
(Sevos)

That's it. It's my turn.

Just in case when the verbal orders lost, they prepared the (back up) document written about the secret place for goods written in cryptography?

Yeah, backing up is important. (Back up as Computer back up, even you delete all my files, I still have back up)

If I had not backed my files up for every day for 3 months, (I might as well lose my job) when that corruption section chief wipes my computer (files)...

No, no, it's already over, forgets it...

And then, I receive the parchment that was presented and look at it

[[In case of danger of Larslick territory, all warrants exhausted and there are no other means, MAKE SURE TO CONVERT THE "GOOD" INTO MONEY TO USE.

Colex von Larslick]] (Parchment)

However, only that was written.

[Are you kidding me?] (Kaoru)

Chapter 73

Treasure Hunt 2

Haa~ haa~ haa~...

I smashed the parchment on the floor, I got a rough breath, and Mr. Middle Captain stared at me.

Well, I have to say something!

[Of course, I knew such obvious thing] (Kaoru)

Wrong! That's not it!

[Well, I don't understand it... No, I just feel bad!] (Kaoru)

Unintentionally I made a business smile while mocking myself.

Mr. V.Captain doesn't understand it and his eyes open wide.

[We don't have any clue even with encryption! How can we find it with this?] (Kaoru)

[Uhm...? Can you read the intention of those who wrote it from the sentence...?]
(V.Captain)

Mr. V.Captain seems to have recovered from surprised and tried to suggest. But what is with that anyway?

[Because I am different from God!

To put it simply, my language ability is excellent but I can only read [the context]

I can not read the residual thought of the person who wrote it!

That's why even if I was told [How about an Ochazuke?]

I could only hear [Do you want some Ochazuke?]

I couldn't understand the hidden meaning [You can go home quickly and just stay there]] (Kaoru)

It seems like he doesn't know what is the Ochazuke, but he understands what I mean somehow.

[...Uhm... is that so...?] (V. Captain)

Oh, He shrugged his shoulders. He feels sorry or something...
Is this useless? I already got the business service fee...

[Uhm... , I can not read what was written in the parchment, so I can't help it.
However, we only need to know the secret place of the goods, right?] (Kaoru)

[Oh, that's right...

However, it's dangerous to keep it in our territory's estate near the border.
And when we need goods, want to buy food or political funds, the payment will usually deal in the Capital.

There was no doubt that it was carried into this mansion at the Capital.
My grandfather, father, and of course my brother had always stayed at this place. I also searched this mansion, but I did not have any clues.
So, I asked you...] (V.Captain)

I took down the bag that hung on my shoulder and put my hand into it.

(Ultra-high-performance and ultra-small gold detector type container with recovery potion inside, come out!) (Kaoru's inner order)

And then, I grab the machine from the bag.

[What?] (V.Captain)

[A gold detector, that is, a tool that detects nearby gold and points to that place]
(Kaoru)

[Huhhhh!?] (V.Captain)

Mr. V.Captain is surprised and raised his voice...

Well, after hearing that explanation, people might grow an ambition!

[Ah, it will not react to anything besides refined high purity gold.
So I can't use it for searching for gold vein etc.
The detectable distance is also very short and the usage is limited.

The repair costs are also very expensive, so we can't get any profit...] (Kaoru)

Somehow, I tried to say the detectors as 『you can't use it easily』 but seeing something like this was still enough to make him dumbfounded.

Okay, let's process with the request quickly.

[Well, press this button...] (Kaoru)

When operating the machine, the arrow-like pointer floating in the transparent glass bulb turns around the *kuru~kuru*, then stops and pointing in one direction.

[It's here!] (Kaoru)

I just looked at the detector when using it and when I raised my head to look at the pointer's direction.

The pointer was pointing to was the bosom of Mr. V.Captain.

[Oh...] (V.Captain)

Yes, indeed, his pocket has refined gold coins.

My drawstring bag?

It's inside the item box, so it's out of detection.

[Wait a moment...] (Kaoru)

I looked away from the V.Captain who stared at me with a suspicious eye and operated the detector again.

As it's the item that I just thought of, naturally, even I could decide the performance and operation method.

There is no way I can master it right away.

[Well, the purse string bag of Mr. V.Captain is not included, the target is 300 grams or more of gold,...] (Kaoru)

When we talk about treasure, there will be more money than that.

There may be jewelry, pearls, etc., but maybe there is also gold.

As an ingot or many gold coins.

As treasures sometimes include money!

Well, if not, this time it will only be the 『jewelry detector』

Alright, it's partitioning.

The needle points to the wall of the room. Of course, we don't break the wall, we go out of the room and go to the next room.

No, if the pointer still pointed to this side wall in the next room, at that time I will destroy the wall.

And, when we come out to the corridor, the needle doesn't point to the next room, it points to a room in a further distance.

Alright.

As we keep following it, the tip of the needle points to a certain room.

[Here...] (Kaoru)

Somehow, Mr. V.Captain stayed silent, thinking for a moment.

Then he nodded and picked something out of his pocket.

It wasn't the drawstring bag but a key bundle.

Even I say a bunch, but only a few keys are attached to a chain that is connected to the inside or somewhere in his clothes.

And Mr. V.Captain used one of them to open the door of that room.

Apparently, unlike other rooms, this is an important room.

I enter the room after Mr. V.Captain...

[Uwa...] (Kaoru)

There was a storeroom... , no, a treasure room, a safe room, anyway, it seemed like a room keeping the property of the family.

There is no window,

Until the Mr. V.Captain turned on the light of the lamp,

The only light in the room is from the opened door, it was a dim room.

And what was illuminated by the light of the lit lamp...

[...Storeroom?] (Kaoru)

It was displayed in the room...

Various ornaments and something, goods that I don't know well

No, no, thinking from the situation, they should be expensive.

I also thought about 『Safe room』 earlier!

I wonder what he will tell me about it...

[Haha...

Things that are likely to be sold at high prices have been sold in advance.

The remaining things are those that are not likely to be sold with very good value and very important meaning for our family.

Even though they can be sold for some money as well. But rather than the monetary value, it's no doubt the treasure to our house] (V. Captain)

[...I'm sorry] (Kaoru)

As expected, it was a little insensitive.

I have no choice but to apologize here.

And what the pointer of the detector points to is...

[A large safe placed on the wall] (Kaoru)

...Thank you very much.

[[.....]] (Kaoru + V. Captain)

Mr. V.Captain doesn't say anything.

Perhaps, I also have a similar face.

There are gold coins in the safe!

Naturally, treasure!!

[[.....]] (Kaoru + V. Captain)

[[.....]] (Kaoru + V. Captain)

[Well, let me open it...] (Kaoru + V. Captain)

A few seconds that I felt like a long time has passed, and Mr. V.Captain started moving again.

Apparently, his face doesn't seem like someone has found hope.

Umumumu...

And safe that can be opened with the key bundle taken out from the pocket again.

Among them...

About 20 pieces of gold coins.

In the sense of this world, equivalent to 2 million yen, a reasonable amount of money.

However, it's a weak small figure, as a content of the aristocratic big box, it's too little.

[Wait a moment, please!] (Kaoru)

Operate the detector again and set this safe out of scope.

And when I check the guidelines again.

Circling...

Yes, within the detection area, there's no target, thank you very much!

And, from my expression and movement of the detector needle,

Mr. V.Captain seems to realize everything

[Ha ha ha...] (V. Captain)

[Haha...] (Kaoru)

[[Ahahahahahahaha... ha]] (Kaoru + V. Captain)

Score.

Chapter 74

Treasure Hunt 3

I and Mr. Vice Captain both have dull eyes.

Apparently, there are no gold bullions or gold coins in this house...

Wait a moment!

A little while ago, how did I set up the detector after I first detected the gold coins in the purse?

Yes, surely it's 『Target is more than 300 grams of gold』 !

Although the price of one gold coin on the earth is rather high, it is equivalent to 25000 yen. (T.N: FUNA-sensei, this is Kaoru series, don't mistake with Mitsuha series, Kaoru never knew about this price)

And the weight of one gold coin is about 10 grams.

It seems to be slightly heavier than a 500 yen coin, probably 8 to 9 grams.

About as much as a quarter ounce gold coin of the earth?

In other words, it may be increased with other metals to increase the hardness, so if it is about 20 pieces, the weight of gold is around 150 grams?

If so, the detector should not respond.

I hurriedly picked up the detectors and lifted designation outside the scope of the safe.

Then set the detection target to 『500 grams or more』

...The needle pointed to the safe, again.

Mr. Vice Captain follows me in a hurry as I jump out of the room.

And, the place I headed was, of course, a neighboring room on the other side of the wall where the safe was placed.

Apparently, this room isn't locked. It seems to be the work office of 『The Viscount』.

Well, speaking of which, is there anyone who makes the child's room next to the vault?

I guess I've done a very rude and insane thing.

Well, okay, I have the mayor of the company's consent.

And when I look at the needle of the detector from the inside of the room.
...Yeah, it points to the next room, the safe room.

[Let's peel off the wall!] (Kaoru)

[Haa... , yes!] (V.Captain)

And Mr. V.Captain called his servants, they carefully started to peel off the wall from the study side.

The reason we didn't do from the safe room side is that it's hard to move the safe.
And gradually the walls were scraped until we saw the metal part of the safe!!

Yeah, it's the back of the safe that fits perfectly on the wall of the next room, of course...
Apparently, the safe seemed to penetrate the wall.
And in the wall, there was nothing other than the original wall composition.

[Well, for a small gold coin, it's about this much...] (Kaoru?)

[Wait! Wait a moment~~!!] (V.Captain?)

Mr. V.Captain grabbed the collar of my clothes.
If he gets too excited, he doesn't know how to hold back.
Or so...

[My neck! My neck is tight~~!] (Kaoru?)

Well, isn't that obvious?

[What did you mean...] (V.Captain)

As expected, The V.Captain is in bad mood.
The servants already left the room.

Well, it's understandable, broke the wall of the mansion and get nothing.
It can not be helped, when it comes to this, I will use my best shot!

[Jewelry detector!] (Kaoru)

I put my hand into the bag again and gets it out. This is a potion container of a jewelry

detector type.

[Detection target, corundum, diamond, pearl, search range, radius 80 meters, set, ready!] (Kaoru)

If it covers corundum, diamonds, and pearls to which ruby and sapphire belong, it will definitely hit if it is a treasure other than money.

And this time, I go with the PPI scope (Plan Position Indicator scope) instead of the direction designation method so that I can have the detail location.

Um, the sticks turn around on the plane, which is commonly used on the modern Earth, and when the target is detected, the place glows shimmer.

Yes, I am a girl who can learn from her mistake.

Okay, detection start, switch on!

No detection response.

...Yeah, I knew.

In the first place, the 『treasure』 might not a specific gemstone, and it's hard to think that there are a few gold products.

So, what does this mean?

1. Anti-detection field.
2. Treasures are not gold or jewels.
3. It isn't here.
4. It's nowhere.
5. It's only in the head of Mr. V.Captain

And then the answers...

- A. Originally, there was not such a thing.
- B. The ancestor's 『one piece of bread』 strategy.
- C. It existed but it was already exhausted.

Multiple answers possible.

When I told Mr. V. Captain about it, he used both fists and pressed on my head.

It is a so-called 『Umeboshi's punishment』
It works in plain form.
And, it was scary that Mr. V.Captain was completely expressionless.
It was very, very scary...

Unpalatable.
I have to do something.
I can feel a sense of crisis from Mr. Vice Captain who seems to have no time to spare.
I don't want to float on the river tomorrow morning!

Think about it, I think!
Ununu, Gununununu, Fununununu!

Ah.
Ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!

I took out the first detector, which detects gold, from the bag.

Switch on!
Then, the detector points to the wall again, it passes through the hole we just opened
in the wall, right at the safe behind the hole...

I left the room without saying anything.
And, in the hurry, Mr. V.Captain follows.
I confirmed the direction at the corridor.
Go over from the vault and check the direction again.

...Well, there is no doubt!

I return to the safe room with the door opens.

Keep it close is unnecessary!

Well, is there anyone who dares to steal from aristocrat in the daytime?
Initially, there's no such thing as the mansion becomes completely unmanned.
Because there are always servants available.

And, I and Mr. V.Captain stand in front of the safe.
Mr. V.Captain seems to try to figure out something from the way I act.

And...

[It's no problem if the safe gets scratched, right? Can you give me something hard?]
(Kaoru)

[Well, yes!] (V.Captain)

Mr. V.Captain took out a silver coin from his drawstring bag.
Well, it's not pure silver, it's harder than that.

So, I received a silver coin and scratched it dreadfully... the black-painted safe.

Gari (SFX)

Gari~ Gari (SFX)

Gari~ Gari~ Gari~ Gari~ Gari~ Gari (SFX)

And the paint that was painted over was scraped off, the surface of the safe appeared from underneath.
It has golden skin...

[Ooooooooooooooooooh!] (V.Captain)

Mr. Vice Captain is on his knees, he seems to be so moved.

[Ohh...

Father, ancestor, and god!

The people of our Larslick territory will overcome this crisis and will steadily progress towards the future...] (V.Captain)

[...But it's not a one-time crisis but a constant one,
If you don't solve it, this treasure will also exhaust.
And someday you will be ruined again...] (Kaoru)

[Uuu, shut up !!] (V.Captain)

Because I poured water on the moving scene, he was seriously angry.

Chapter 75

However, I have no responsibility

[How much will you use this treasure this time?] (Kaoru)

[Well, no, I do not plan to use it?] (V.Captain)

[Eh...?] (Kaoru)

When I asked the details about it,
It seems his territory managed to overcome the bad crops by releasing stockpile food
and the borrowing money of the territory.
However, It seems that he was in a little debt.

[As for the treasure of our family, it seems everyone has heard the rumors about it.
And with that, people believes 『There are treasures for emergencies in the Larslick
territory』
And when people ask for debt, we can reply 『Oh. It is not yet a dire situation to use
treasures』
『In the worst case, we can return our debt with the treasures』
And just like that, we could borrow loans without taking plain collateral] (V.Captain)

Indeed, even though it's bad that he can't use the treasure (gold) yet, but keeping it
will have such a merit as well.

[As for our situation before, even though we could borrow the loans, we still must do
something before the crops return to normal again.
Even though we could still hold out but if this kept up, our finance would be exhausted
and we would fail to pay the loans.
In that case, we must accept the demand from the lord of a big territory that we
borrowed money from.
Or I could return the territory to his majesty then it will be annexed to other
territories.
In either case, our people will face different treatments with tax rate and various
things, it will not benefit our people.

I don't care whatever I do, as long as I can avoid it...
And for that reason, I asked you to find the treasure to pay the loans in the worst case.
And now we have found the treasure.] (V.Captain)

What is this? Mr. V. Captain is an amazingly nice guy!
Oh, then it's safe to know that treasure is found?

[But, if it's also known to the country, isn't this bad?
Tax, get over the payment,...] (Kaoru)

[No, there's no problem with that] (V.Captain)

Mr. V.Captain immediately denies my doubts.

[When our ancestor got the treasure, they have sent taxes to the country properly.
That's also why no one doubts the existence of our treasure.
If it's just a gossip story, there are no fools who would lend a lot of money without collateral.
Also, since people knew we are supposed to have treasure in the first place, even if it really exists, there's nothing wrong with that] (V.Captain)

I see.
He was really serious and honest men, his ancestor.

Well, he is the ancestor of the vice commander of a Royal Army and a noble, so he has probably that kind of bloodline.
And I don't dislike those people like that.

Should I give some advice here?
I don't take any responsibility and irresponsible bleeding large service.
However, it is not mine to bleed.
It's a demon job.

[...Would you like to use it, the treasure?] (Kaoru)

[Huh?] (V.Captain)

V. Captain was surprised.

[As I said, let's use it, the treasure that your ancestors left behind!] (Kaoru)

[Wha... what...] (V.Captain)

Yeah, life and money on the balance here, so, let's use a number of it.

[If there were bad harvest several times in the past, won't there be many bad harvest times in the future, how many times it is until we run out of that treasure?] (Kaoru)

[Uu...] (V.Captain)

Well, it was already said that it has been used several times in the past.

[And if it is a bad work, what if it was a more intense fellow, the so-called 『bad harvest』 ?

What if it continues for several years?

There is no mystery even if it goes on for more than 2 years, unlike cold summer climate and pests.

And in that case, the price of food you buy from other towns will also rise.

No, no matter how high the price is, you still need to pay because your citizens are important.

However, you can't sell it...] (Kaoru)

[Uu...] (V.Captain)

Somehow, he seems to have a scary idea, V.Captain has poor complexion.

[To solve this, what you need isn't a 『symptomatic therapy』 that responds to temporary problems whenever something happens,

but a 『causal therapy』 that takes care of the root of the problem itself.

Otherwise, no matter how much money you plunge into it, it will be just a waste of money, you know] (Kaoru)

[Muu...

However, easy said than done. What should I do?

My territory is a poor place with little fertile land...] (V.Captain)

Yeah, I know.

Otherwise, you won't face such a nationwide bad harvest so many times until it falls

into a dilemma.

Although I can not say clearly without confirming the situation, but for the time being.

[The cause of the poor harvest still remains until, in addition, it's not only your territory.

Please compare the situation in the same way of your place with another territory where it doesn't have the poor harvest.

If it is caused by cold summer, try obtaining seeds that are strong against cold weather from the north, test cultivation.

If drought is the cause, you have to dig deep wells or draw waterways from the river. Also, with risk diversification, you need to plant not only wheat and corn but also growing more potatoes...

Potato can grow even on the lean ground, it's growing really fast and it's rich in nutrition.

It's also strong against cold weather and high resistance to drought.

Because it's hard to be affected by the weather, it's the best crop as a safety measure.

Although it may not have much appeal as a crop for cash,

However, life is more important than profit, isn't it?] (Kaoru)

[Ah... , A...] (V.Captain)

V. Captain's complexion was not very good.

Well, Captain Senior is not stupid, he should know about sweet potatoes.

However, in this country, potatoes and corn are food for livestock, the "image" (*in EN*) is strong.

But if all goes famine, everyone will eat anything,

They will start cultivating them as usual for human staple food, even the recognition was low.

As a crop for human beings, wheat, and vegetables etc will be the center, and the wheat is the main point that we pay as tax.

Farmers eat rye, oats, barley, etc. which grows relatively small even on land that is slightly rough and water shortage.

However, with this level of civilization, the barley harvesting efficiency was bad.

It's not as bad as the early Middle Age in the Earth, like harvesting 300 kg per hectare, but it's not comparable with the modern Earth which harvests 3-4 tons in the same

area.

It was good if we could harvest 500 to 600 kg at most.

By the way, in the case of potatoes, the harvest volume per hectare is around 30 tons in the modern Earth.

[Well, it can't help when you are told suddenly, of course. But please think about it carefully] (Kaoru)

There can't be a lord who suddenly talks, seeks advice from an amateur girl, who knows nothing about the management of the territory or agriculture.

If there is such a lord, I shouldn't be involved with him as much as possible.

It's likely he will hold me responsible for the failure.

I will not help with the domestic cheat.

For me, the risk is too much and the benefit is too little.

Besides, it will be a story for several years.

Yes, because it's a ship that I went on, I don't have the responsibility even if I give simple advice.

The work for one small gold coin has ended long ago.

[Well, I think we are done with this...] (Kaoru)

Riette-chan didn't have a turn and was bored.

The nobleman's mansion seems uncomfortable.

I have to take her out soon.

And it's about the time for lunch.

Thinking so, I planned to return...

[No, I owe you big one this time, I can't simply let you return just like this!

I have prepared lunch, please join us by all means] (V.Captain)

[[Yes!]] (Kaoru + Riette)

I was hooked with Riette-chan.

Yes, an opportunity to accompany the meal of a noble's family, it's really rare.

Well, if it's Roland or Francette, I may become [the honor guest of the noble's meal

time]]

That's a bit different.

And for Riette-chan, it can't happen to her even if she is born 10 times again.

It's a miracle event like that.

Even though she doesn't understand manners, but if she is a little older, she might be scared or nervous.

But for the 6-year-old loli, Riette-chan [[I can eat delicious foods]]

This was all.

...No, I'm like that as well, I don't have the right to tell other people anything.

[Today I have been taken care of. The Larslick family, no, on behalf of my citizens as their lord, thank you.] (V.Captain)

In the cafeteria, the V.Captain said his gratitude again. In front of us, the dishes arranged in the table.

Riette-chan is seating with me.

His family, the wife of the V.Captain, two daughters about 20 years old, and two sons about 16 years old and 18 years old.

Even though they are only a Viscount's family, they are truly nobles, everyone is beautiful.

Do the men draw blood of their ancestor or something, they all have gentle eyes.

The sons are going to be astonished men who look like Vice Captain when they get older. I can expect it from them.

...But why "All-Star cast" (*in EN*)?

The sons' clothes. Is that the military uniform?

It may be so, although the two have quite different uniforms...

Maybe because today isn't a rest day, is it?

And although we should have a chat while having a meal slowly,

For some reason, they don't have knives and forks,

The brothers with their cheeks blushed looking at me with a feverish eye.

Don't tell me, they have the hots for me?

No, is this also a chance?

In marriage to a small poverty altar family,
We worked on flood control and agricultural reform and rebuilt our finances,
My children would be taken care of by my father and mother in law.
A rich and happy life with rich people...

There is nothing to be troubled with life, and I can do whatever I like freely.

It seems that there is not much to worry about human relationships and hierarchical relationships, and the Vice Captain's family seems to be nice people who take care of their citizen.

Well, it may be nice.
If I can apply for a relationship...

When I thought so, the elder brother talked to me with a blushed face.

[Kaoru-san, actually I have a favor to ask...] (E.Brother)

Kita~!! (It appears / It's here)

[No, wait. My brother, I want to ask Kaoru-san too!] (Y.Brother)

Uu, wow, here comes the young brother, he suddenly interrupted!
Is this my popular era? Kita~~!! (It appears / It's here)

[No, I am the first one who ask her!] (E.Brother)

[No, it's me!] (Y.Brother)

And in the end, they cried all together to me.

[[Please give us medicines for military disease]] (2 Brothers)

Right, ~?
...Yeah, I knew.

Ah! Give me a break.

Chapter 76

Stop doing such mislead things!

Stop doing such misleading things!

...Well, I'm the one who got the wrong idea and thought of everything on my own head. These people aren't bad.

Besides, doing things such as jumping to a conclusion by just looks and conditions without confirming the personality just like an 『around 30』 woman,

...Or rather, I'm already 27 years old. So, both mental age or living age are already an 『around 30』 woman, damn it!

No, no, wait wait. I was proposed by that stalker prince. I still have a chance and I'm not that hungry for marriage like other 『around 30』 woman.

No no no, that is 『no count』, I told you it's 『no count』! (*Tn: No count in EN*)

[...Yes] (Kaoru)

I put my hand in the bag that was placed next to the chair, grabbed out the two medicines I made on the spot and placed it on the table.

I intended to keep my unpleasant feelings away, but I can't suppress it to show a face like Buddha.

Mr. Vice Captain was a little uneasy.

Perhaps, he thinks that I felt unpleasant that his sons requested for medicine at the dinner table.

...Or so I thought so, but Mr. Vice Captain suddenly began to start smoking.

Damn, try to read the mood!!

And in the meantime, Riette-chan can't wait anymore and already start to eat dishes at random.

No, since the dinner has begun long ago, the time for 『waiting』 is over.

No-one would mind if other people start eating without talking.

I also had compassion, and I began to eat steadily.

...Well. There are only aristocrats' proper materials, proper cooking.
However.

[.....] (Riette)

Riette-chan has a face like that.

Yeah, she seems to realize that it's the same as what she always eats.

Yes, in fact, I'm quite confident in the food I made.

The ingredients which I purchased in large quantities whenever the market had cheap and good products, and it's all put in my item box.

So, the quality and freshness are outstanding.

And also, I made a variety of seasonings that strikes the science of the earth with potion creation ability.

Furthermore, I had always made dinner for my family on behalf of my mother from junior high school.

So, from the foundation of cooking such as soup, dough and even a rather elaborate recipe, I had mastered it.

In other words, I know how to cook high-class dishes in this world, I can even cook dishes that surprise professional chefs!

Chemistry seasonings are cowardly?

...Well, I think so too.

Well, that's why.

For the commoners, who aren't wealthy, this is the first treat to eat after being born.

All the people of the Viscount mansion seemed to have thought that we would be deeply impressed with the taste of the dishes.

Were they thinking about seeing the feeling of satisfaction with their work by seeing the figure of the commoner girls surprised by the wonderfulness of cooking or something?

The Chef who brought his own meal from the kitchen that he cooked himself.

As he saw the face of slightly unsatisfied Riette-chan or my face eating like average (normal)

He fell to the floor in disappointment.

...No, I don't know!

And after the casual chef, who was a little disappointed (presumed), returned to the kitchen, we had a chat while eating.

Apparently, it seems that the sons are still soldiers.

One of them is a Royal Guard, the other is in another battalion, different from Mr. Vice Captain.

If they are small captains, are they a First Lieutenant or a Second Lieutenant?

If it is the earth, they must equal to 『Enlisted as a graduated cadet, a few years after leaving the military academy』 or something like that...

However, in this world, education by a private tutor until the age of 15 (adult age) would be a substitute for 『university graduate』

In other words, only aristocrats or those who are rather wealthy can only join as a cadet candidate from the beginning.

In the earth too, it wasn't uncommon in the country that only aristocrats could become officers in the past.

And this country seems to have ordinary officers rising up from soldiers. Perhaps, his sons are someone who up to challenge.

There are adverse effects such as amenity and parenthesis when they are in the same troops as their father. Even so, they went to other battalion and the Royal Guard.

Or perhaps there are other reasons...

A fisherman once said 『the father and son can't get on the same boat』

If the ship is sunk, the house will cease.

Well, since the Royal Guard sounds like an elite, there's a possibility that he only gives priority to that.

Besides, because he is a Royal, he might be able to stay in the Capital all the time.

Hmm, so, the treatment medicines are still not available to the Royal Guard Army and the other battalion which the son belongs to.

Well, the Royal Guard Army leader still bought the wholesale of medicines from me once and the King Army has 10 battalions in total.

And the son who is in the king's army might be said something like 『You can ask it from your father!』

In other words, he was being postponed...

But, other battalion's leader, please do not confuse public and private in such places.

So, why are they both at home wearing military uniforms even though it's a weekday?
And the older sisters, from their age and clothes, have they already become brides?

Ah, inviting me today was decided a couple of days ago, then everyone got a vacation and got back to their parents' house.

...For what?

Umm,

It's true that the requested matter was a serious matter for the family,

But what if it didn't succeed?

Were they planning to get some 『merit』 ? (T.N: Merit in EN)

Regardless of Mr. Vice Captain who is the battalion Vice Captain together with other three Vice Captains...

No, this is a personal matter, so he is the Larslick Viscount instead...

Even though the wife is still fine because she is always here in this mansion. But I don't think there's a need for having the sons to take the vacation day in military service to join in or calling the married daughters from other families.

If that is what he intended, he would have explained to his sons in advance. And in that

case, there would be no 『Please give us the medicine for military disease』 at the very beginning.

Damn, I was treated like a child!

No no, wait, wait.

If you think carefully, this is a country with a status system.

Although the Viscount is a rather low-rank aristocrat, there's no way to marry the elder son and the second son, who is the reserve, to an unidentified minor (visible) girl who has flowed from another country.

No matter how much the worth she has.

At best, they only allow me to become friends with family members, or make me fall in love with their sons unilaterally. And then they can use me...
That's the situation right now!

Dammit... , no, no, my wording has been rough recently.

Even though I was just thinking in my brain, but if I kept on doing that, my inner thought may leak out someday.

And, in the first place, my heart...

Calm down, myself!
Hifu~ Hifu~ Hifu~... (*Breath in breath out*)
Oh, that's right!

[...I am also an adult,
It is about time that I want a 『good man』...] (Kaoru)

I caught on the topic of the married daughters and I tried to tell about myself a little.

[[[[[[Buffofo!! (Surprised blow SFX*)]]]]]] (6 members of Viscount's family)

...Why do you blow out, everyone?

[No, so I am an adult, a manager of a drug store, I am a guardian of this child, Riette-chan!

I'm not the child manager!]

 (Kaoru)

Well, for now, I will spread the fact that I am the age of marriage and gradually advance the marriage.

It's not a like even though I don't clearly say my age.

It can't be helped.

In any case, since the date of my reincarnation is set as the birthday of 15 years old, right now this body age should be 19 years and a half.

There is no need to bother to speed up because of the 『deadline』 myself.

On the other hand, it's somewhat uncomfortable to say a lie that I'm 15 to 16 years old. And it seems that Roland and Francette look at me with "Jito" (give up/ tired) eyes...

(The kind of eyes when you sighed)

Besides, returning to the Balmoa Kingdom with a husband would get rid of the rumors about me.

As expected, No one will marry me with age spoofing.

So, my age is blurred.

And no woman would want to tell others about their age.

[[[[[You have a little girl appearance!]]]]]] (6 members of Viscount's family)

[No, you're all wrong! I'm just a guardian, I'm not her mother!]

 (Kaoru)

If such a rumor flows, it will be a great damage to my marriage!

Chapter 77

Calculation

And then Riette-chan solved the misunderstanding by explaining that I became her guardian at the time I helped her from the kidnapper.

No, I'm planning to take care of Riette-chan FOREVER, but it's no good if people think of her as my daughter indeed.

It will affect my marriage. Besides, Riette-chan's attitude toward me isn't like a mother at all. A cold mother and a daughter.

I will have more and more negative impact on my marriage.

...The handicap: already having a child?

No, I will not accept such a petty man.

Riette-chan will live with me even after my marriage!

After that, as planned, I told everyone about 『I was poor and couldn't get enough to eat when I was a child...』 That's why even when I already became an adult, my body is still petite like a child.

No, as a Japanese, this is a good average height!

The white races are just too big!

In the Earth, at the time of this civilization level, it seems that Westerners were also small but that is due to food.

They have less opportunity to eat meat, and their nutrition isn't enough.

So, why is the height of everyone in this world equal to the modern Earth Westerners?

There are monsters that hindered the farming work like yield crops or raise livestock. There is a need for hunting them down for the safety of residents.

And those hunted monsters were also meat to eat.

Yes, if you don't care about the taste and firmness, you can get it at a cheap price and

a lot of monster meats can be eaten.
Depending on the type, some of them are also delicious.

No one eats the meat of goblin or the like, but Orc and gray bear are pretty tasty.

The nobles don't eat much of the demon's meat and eat only the meat of expensive livestock, 『Do not eat Orc, it's for commoner』... or something like that.

Also, Boa juice made from Boa.

Whether it is a boar or a snake, it's all raw material of boa juice!

Well, can human body melt those things, like a snake's medicine? It's similar to 『Snake's herb』 story, I guess...

Well, that's why the people of this world have the height and the physique of the Westerners of the modern Earth where meat in the meal time increased.

No, it's true.

Then, now that I'm done with side-job, should I return to open the shop yet?

No, although it might be okay to detain or work late.

But it's not a fixed holiday, without prior notice, we can not shut down the store all day.

[...but... what was that, was it just a face-to-face connection...?] (Kaoru)

[???] (Riette)

Even if I ask Riette-chan, she doesn't know...

And as I'm thinking about such things on the way back...

[Riette-chan?] (Unknown man)

Suddenly, Riette-chan was called out by an unknown man.

Those who know about Riette-chan have never been out of their country village, they can't be in such a place.

If so, then this man is...

When I thought so, Roland and Francette appeared before me and Riette-chan me to protect us.

Where did they appear from...

Ah, that's right.

Up until now, they don't have any active part!

And then, their long long long long long long long long long escort chance has finally appeared.

Of course, they decided to come out.

And Francette is obviously happy, she can't stop smiling.

I don't know which side is the bad one anymore.

And when Francette about to give her speech...

[You are safe, Riette!

I'm so glad.

So, are these people your current owner?] (Unknown man)

[[[Huh?]]] (Kaoru + Roland + Francette)

Something was strange here.

And when I ask the details from that man.

For the annual service at a merchant's house in another country, paying for wages for 80 years in advance, the transaction is as close as a slave.

However, this seems to be an unavoidable measure to save farmers who have only two choices whether to thin out their children or to starve and die in a group.

The long contract period is a mean for the family to borrow money with the future labor.

It's also including the condition that the girl can't return unless she pays all the debt.

The merchant only pays cheap money so that the girl can easily return the prepaid money with money saved by chips and side jobs.

Also, since it's [an ordinary servant who just got paid wages earlier] , it seems that they can live as commoners in an ordinary way.

To live normal means three meals, on holidays she can also have some pocket money and have free time to go out.

Worried about running away?

When she escapes, a collector of money forwarded to her parents' house goes. And being alone in a town in another country where she knows nothing, it's impossible for a young girl to live.

There's 『Sekiyama (a limit that she can do as hard as she can)』

In the end, she might end of living in the slum and die prematurely.

It would be better if she was living as a servant with a warm bed and three meals. At least, living there is far better than with her parents who can't eat meals barely.

And, she can save money for herself, or marry someone.

If they could pay the total prepaid money, she can have a happy married life.

Well, she can grasp the happiness that isn't comparable with the past hungry life in the country village.

[...When she was kidnapped, I was worry about her.

As for what I was doing, even though I think that it's not something shameful to face the goddess.

However, under the rules of the country, I can be suspected of human trafficking.

I couldn't go to the officers.

I have to leave the city to escape...

And at that time, I heard some noblemen or rich men were at work.

I thought she should be safe.

And it seems that she can live happily now.

I'm happy for her...] (Merchant Man)

The middle-aged man says so in tear.

[...Mer~cha~nt, a~ good~ person~...] (Riette)

Certainly, if he was just buying people, he wouldn't remember the face and name of the item each time.

For him to remember means he didn't treat Riette-chan as a commodity for trading but as a person.

[So, how is Riette-chan now?

Was she bought somewhere...] (Merchant)

[You, low-life. Watch your mouth in this place] (Francette)

Francette shouts in angry.

Yes, slave trading is a felony.

It wasn't a good topic to talk about in such a place, although there aren't many people in the street in the afternoon.

[...Hey, follow me!] (Kaoru)

And we moved, 『Let's go back to the Atelier』.

With the shop closed, everyone went upstairs.

[Riette-chan is now an ordinary people who will not be bound by any contract to anyone.

Yes, this is the writing with a signature of the lord.

And this is the certificate that I am her guardian...] (Kaoru)

The middle age man opens his eyes, looking at the documents I took out of the item box which made like took out from the bag.

[It's a perfect document...

With this, she can have an average (ordinary) happiness...] (Merchant)

No, it is true, is that okay?

[But won't you get a whole loss?

You paid the money to Riette-chan's parents and Riette-chan couldn't pay for it with her work because Riette-chan was delivered to the client...] (Kaoru)

And when he heard that.

[No, since it's a business, we have already incorporated a certain amount of loss.

In the first place, when she was kidnapped, at that time, I didn't do anything to take her back.

I also abandon her as I left the town.

I have lost the right.] (Merchant)

It's rather an honest answer, it's pretty much the same with what I heard from the

Lord back there.
No, I'm saved because I don't have any trouble.
But for a merchant, is it okay?

[Well, because you are a merchant, don't you have to do a little bit more business...]
(Merchant)

The Merchant uncle shrugs off his shoulder with my advice. I wonder if he also somewhat understands it.

Then, it's a great turning point, the story ends with the merchant is a good person.
Francette also shrugs her shoulders off in the same way.
Apparently, she seems to want to protect me and have a big success.
...No, the opponent this time is just a harmless merchant, no matter if he is a good or bad person, her wish can't be fulfilled anyway...

Well, It's not something I was worried about, I concerned about Riette-chan.

What if afterward, her parents told me 『Please return our child!』 and also tried to sell her again to a merchant.
Selling her as a bride to the neighbor village for about 10 bags of wheat.

In order for such a thing won't happen, I have to educate Riette-chan properly... right?

Riette-chan is six years old already.
And she is quite intelligent.
She will understand that much.
In addition...

Riette-chan firmly grasped my hand while seeing the merchant uncle going home with a happy face.

...I will be with you forever until marriage.
Somehow, maybe it's something like that.

Oh, of course, I am the one who will become a bride!
I will take Riette-chan together in my new family.

...What if a man appears that wants to marry both of us?

It is decided.

...For such a man, I will give him a 『little』 punishment!!

TN:

Because readers don't understand this, so I write the answer here.

Kaoru wants a good man.

Who doesn't mind marry Kaoru even if Riette-chan is really her daughter (Kaoru is a once married woman)

The last part, the man wants to marry both Kaoru and Riette-chan, which means he sexual desired Kaoru and Riette-chan.

Chapter 78

Complaints

A middle-aged man a bit overweight went into the shop and said so.

If this is an ordinary customer, he will first ask what kind of items, where are the items display, the price, etc.

So this customer isn't [[an average customer]]

Also, he has a troublesome smell.

However, since he doesn't look like a nobleman, it will not be a problem to deal with.

I wonder if he questions about special medicine?

Or is it another errand...

[Ah, yes, I am the shopkeeper...] (Kaoru)

[No, I would like to see management, not the hired owner.] (M.A.M)

Well, if he just looks at this for the first time, it will be easy to mistake the manager kid (who seems to be) is only employed as a salesperson and there should be another person who pays rent or purchases medicine

It would be normal to think so.

[...As I said, I am the owner, the owner.] (Kaoru)

[What!?] (M.A.M)

Yeah, I got used to it.

[Then, are you paying the rent here, buying medicine and selling it?] (M.A.M)

[Ah, yes, that's right] (Kaoru)

[...] (M.A.M)

Oh, what's wrong, he is silent...

[Then, tell me the supplier] (M.A.M)

...Is this again?

[The merchant will not easily talk about suppliers or goods.

Do you think I'm stupid because I'm just a little girl?

So, which aristocrat are you from?] (Kaoru)

Since I'm getting angry, I'm not going to hold back.

[I am not from any noble's family, I am from the union.] (M.A.M)

Eh?

There should not be any organizations across commercial and industrial sectors, such as commercial guilds...

Taxes are to be paid directly to the government office.

There are gatherings by occupation, but it's an arbitrary organization.

It should be a group of volunteers, such as 『Blacksmith friends' s party』 or 『Bakery technology training school』

And in this town, there are only 5 drugstores, other than 『Atelier Riette』

[What kind of organization, the size and how many stores are the members?] (Kaoru)

[Uu...] (M.A.M)

Hm... why was he silent?

[Drug Store Association!

The majority of drug stores other than this store are members!] (M.A.M)

[Eh...?] (Kaoru)

Does that mean that there are three members?

If it is four stores, he would probably say 『All but one』 and if it's five then it's 『all the drugstores』

[...Rejected] (Kaoru)

There is no need to listen to what rules the union has made without permission.
This one too.

Only the members can protect the rules of the association.

It does not matter to anyone else, and it has no binding power.

[What!? This is an official demand from the union...] (M.A.M)

[No, it's only for the members, and what's about the other two stores?

Oh, what if I joint-hand with the other 2 stores, the balance will be 3 and 3...] (Kaoru)

[What...!?] (M.A.M)

The middle-aged man was impatient.

No, in the first place, why is such a social gathering trying to force such a thing without permission?

[Well, of course, I will also tell the other two stores all the suppliers, purchase price, the proportion of blending and secrets.] (Kaoru)

[You! You cannot do such a thing!] (M.A.M)

After saying so, he noticed the gaze of Riette-chan, who looks at him like she was looking at a garbage. The man falls back a little.

Innocent (young lady) loli's eyes seemed to hurt.

Hmm, so he still had the concept of 『shame』...

[Then again, why...?

We do not have any medicine that will work for serious injuries or serious illness.
We only have some medicines for common diseases, anti-diarrhea or antiseptics,
These kinds of medicine exist anywhere...] (Kaoru)

[That medicine for military disease treatment is a big deal!
Normally, people won't buy medicines unless they become injured or sick.
However, that medicine will sell well continuously.
Besides the army, hunters and field workers also want to buy it as well.
And in some case, some of the aristocrats can use it to build connections.
Other drugs can also be sold well.
In addition...] (M.A.M)

No, I don't use it for connection or anything.
Oh, do we talk about doing that?

[Why are such ordinary medicines of yours so effective?
When even our best medicines aren't so effective.
I guess you're selling it cheap now because you are trying to make us go out of business.
And when there aren't any drug store rivals left, you will manipulate the price]
(M.A.M)

Ah...
That's it, my medicines work however I want because it's a cheat.

Even though I haven't made medicine for severe injuries and serious illness such as
[tears of the goddess] and potions.

But people can understand quickly if they use it many times or compare it with the
medicine they bought at other shops, just a small amount of abdominal pain healed or
the wound does not suppurate.

The difference in efficacy, certainty...
Uhm, uncle, what did you say a while ago?

Well, what should I do...
Of course, I can not teach suppliers and manufacturing methods.
...Or rather, it can not be done.
Both of them do not exist.
Mununu...

That's it!

[I understand, I will do my best, please wait a few days] (Kaoru)

[Well, I understand! Get ready, quickly!] (M.A.M)

[Yes, can you tell me the name of the stores that are the members of the drug shop union...?] (Kaoru)

After telling me the names of the three stores, the M.A.M from the 『drug store union』 also got back home fairly happy.

Perhaps, he imagines the profit he will make a few days later.

[...Kaoru-Onee-chan, is it all right?] (Riette)

Riette-chan knew that my potions were produced with ability, she said that with a worried face, but yes, no problem.

Oh, that reminds me, Roland and Francette didn't come out this time.

Was it because it's just a merchant-like uncle, they thought that he was an ordinary customer so they didn't come out? or they went out on a date with two people...

No, no. It's not.

Absolutely, they are looking at me from somewhere.

...I'm scared!

And then I went out of the store, looking at the signboard. 『Atelier Riette』

And under it, the letters of 『medicine... 』

I re-wrote it and added something else.

Ufufufu.

❖ And a few days later

[Hey, is the shopkeeper here?] (M.A.M)

[Oh, the uncle from before, the drug shop union...] (Kaoru)

Un. It's the drug uncle from a few days ago. He is angry, I can see his veins pop out.

[Well, what in the world happened... , what is this?] (M.A.M)

Lunch boxes were arranged in the shop and I even increased other types more than before.

Besides, I added to the system that they can choose the side dishes they like.
Besides, I also prepared drinks, portable preservation foods such as dried meat and hard-baked bread, and confectionery such as cookies as well.

Everything wasn't made out by ability but was ordinarily purchased from other shops or made by ourselves purchasing materials.

There are services that you can have drinks in a carry-in container.

[Well... the medicine! Where is the medicine!?] (M.A.M)

[Medicine? Please go out and watch the signs properly] (Kaoru)

[What?] (M.A.M)

And what came out in the eyes of the drug uncle who left the store to look up at the eaves.

[[**Atelier Riette**]]

[[**Bento, store of groceries**]]

The large sign [[**Atelier Riette**]] is still the same, but the small sign [[**Medicine...**]] was changed.

And there's the poster beside the entrance.

[[**We discontinued the sale of medicines according to the complaint
[You caused us trouble for selling well-qualified medicines] from Drug Store
Union
(Kurtba Drugstore, Beiras Pharmacy, Pharmacist Store Meltolen).
From now on, we are a lunchbox store, thank you**]]

[...] (M.A.M)

The uncle keeps his mouth wide open.

[I stopped selling medicine and narrowed it to lunch boxes so that the problem ceased!] (Kaoru)

As I smiled and saying so to him, the uncle's face turned red and he yelled at me.

[There is a big deal!

There are complaints to our three stores, ruining our business.

And all the customers are flowing to two stores that are not in the union!] (M.A.M)

Eh?

Actually, I don't have to run a drugstore.

I just wanted a place to interact with many people, easy to make money to live normally, without pulling out the money that I collected.

Therefore, even with just the lunchbox shop, an unexpected big hit, it's already sufficient. It can be easily done by myself than a drugstore.

The medicine store had so many troubles, it became somewhat annoying and the lunchbox is fun because there is a direct response of the customer.

Even though the preparation is hard but I feel 『work』 is somewhat fun.

Besides, even at for lunchboxes, the ability that I got from Ceres properly is useful.

I'm not too busy to search for fresh, cheap ingredients every day because it's only possible to store any amount in my item box without deterioration over time.

We used little by little from the item box and refilled it whenever I went to the market, so there's almost no waste product.

And since all the products are handmade by ourselves, satisfactory achievement and satisfaction are obtained.

This is a heaven work!

...Nevertheless,

I wonder why this uncle is annoyed...?

Chapter 79

Wholesale

[What does this mean?] (Lt. Col)

Oh, Mr. Lt. Colonel

[What do you mean?] (Kaoru)

[Don't you already know!

Or... do you play the "fool man(Boke)" here?

what is this!?

And what about the medicine!?] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Colonel, you intensify.

[Oh, the drugstore has gone out of business, the reason is as the letter I asked the orphan delivering to you...] (Kaoru)

[Don't be silly!

Well, you only have to kill that association!

Should we crush that organization in your stead?

Should I crush the shop or do I have to kill the shopkeeper?] (Lt. Col)

...[crush the shopkeeper] , I wonder if he meant physically, maybe...

But the union and the other guy who came to complain the other day,
I have driven them back with salt correspondence, it doesn't matter anymore.
My place is already not a drugstore anymore.

[No, this isn't a problem to get intervention from aristocrats and soldiers.

Because it is a very average problem between peers.

It doesn't involve Mr. Lt. Col, so please don't interfere...] (Kaoru)

[Involvement? It's a large-scale involvement here! You idiot!] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Colonel is serious angry... , ah, this is bad!

I shook my palm in front of my chest as the signal...

I desperately appealed Francette and Roland because they stared at the entrance with their hands on the handle of the sword.

Otherwise, they might really be going to slash Lt. Col...

[What will become of our medicine!? especially the military disease medicine. Your medicines are really effective.

Because of that, I have instructed to switch to the drugs of this store!] (Lt. Col)

Oh, so that's the case!

Well, suddenly, a (wild) dubious [[union]] appeared and things happened!

[Hm? what's with that eye... , ah!] (Lt. Col)

Shut up (Urusai), I have these eyes since i was born!

Hey... Mr. Lt. Colonel, why did you suddenly get upset?

Ah, did you notice that the cause might be he, himself?

[...] (Kaoru)

[.....] (Lt. Col)

[[.....]] (Kaoru + Lt. Col)

[Ah no. uhm...] (Lt. Col)

Chicken...?

[.....] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Colonel is in trouble.

Well, does he feel bothered that much?

[Well, as for the medicine, even though we don't sell it at our store, they will be

wholesaled to 2 shops outside this union. 80% of the current price.
If the two shops take 20% profit and sell it to the army at the same price as before,
There is no problem, right?] (Kaoru)

[Oh, well, that's fine, but...
Then, you will only have little profit.
It's just like you surrender from harassment.
Meanwhile, we can solve it with a little pressure from the army.
Like: from now on, our battalion will not purchase medicine from all three stores of
that union.
If this news spread to the military, other battalions might also do the same.
Unless they surrender and apologize to you, we will never consider dealing with them
again...] (Lt. Col)

Well, it may be so, even the union must be afraid of such things.
However, I don't want to return it with harassment.
If we are not careful, we might ruin their life

Besides, if I get the military and noble to back me up, I won't be able to remain as
average in front of civilians' eyes.

It might affect my marriage chance...

[No, because our profits are enough with the lunchbox sales.

And our medicine sales will not inconvenience familiar customers...
Of course, I will make sure those 2 drug store will wholesale drugs other than military
disease medicine for you] (Kaoru)

[It's a great deal, there is no reason to refuse it...] (Lt. Col)

Yes, I think so too.

[The supplier demands to keep his information a secret.
I think it's also the common sense of the merchant around here.
Please keep this incident confidential.
If it leaks, another funny thing will come.
If that happens...] (Kaoru)

[How about that?] (Lt. Col)

I smile on the question of Mr. Lt. Colonel.

[He will go hiding and you will not be able to buy any of his drugs from anywhere]
(Kaoru)

Before listening to my words, he suddenly pulled his body back a bit.
How come? Eh?

❖ And a few days later, right after opening

[[[Is there the shopkeeper!?!]]] (3 men)

Sigh~... not only twice but three times already.

And this time, the number also grew to three people.

What I want to grow isn't this kind, damn it!
(T.N: Kaoru wants more customers not more trouble)

[[[Why did you wholesale the medicine to two other stores and didn't wholesale to our shop!]]] (3 men)

No, even if you told me such a thing...

[Well, I told you that my drugstore was out of business, just like you asked for it.
Did those two stores say that they purchase medicine from us?] (Kaoru)

[No, no, that's...
but that's the medicine that you dealt with in your shop!] (M.A.M)

[I do not know.
In the first place, it's unreasonable to forcibly ask suppliers of other stores, isn't it?
When I go out of business, is it a problem if I hand over my suppliers to other shops at a reasonable price?
And why do you have problems, are you trying to force it from me?
Would you also provide the information from your business partner to the other two

drugstores like it's an obvious action for the merchant...?] (Kaoru)

[[[What...!?!]]] (3 men)

Well, it will be a problem.

They wouldn't dare to do such things, or they would not be able to gain truth from any merchants as the business partner.

Anyway, it will not be a welcome thing.

[And from the last time as well.

Although it was an unreasonable demand, I wasn't able to say that because it was a [request from the same company]

but this time, it is [an obligation, an intimidation against a girl of another industry that is not related at all]

Would you like me to report it the officer...?] (Kaoru)

If merchants get harassed and stop doing business, the tax revenue will decrease.

And merchants pay much more tax than regular workers.

In addition, this's the capital city, and its tax revenue is paid directly to his majesty.

...In other words, officials and police here will do their work.

[[[[[.....]]]]] (Many Customers)

And there are many eyes, eyes, eyes... gazed at the 3 drugstore owners silently.

(T.N: raw repeats eyes 3 times and...)

Right after the opening of the store.

In other words, it was the time zone where customers who come to buy lunch boxes are the most frequent.

Hunters, travelers, soldiers, non-commissioned officers, various others.

The customers [Atelier Riette, the lunch box, and groceries store] are a lot.

And they were staring at the three people with a scary eye.

The 3 shop owners' face became pale and they had no alternative except to escape in a hurry.

[I'm sorry, I kept you waiting.

For apologies, for those who are here right now, lunch boxes and other are 20% off

sale discount!]

 (Kaoru)

[Oh, Kaoru, you are fat/generous (pronoun the same)!]

 (Customer)

[How rude! I'm not fat, I'm smart!]

 (Kaoru)

[Smart, right? But chest... No, it's nothing!]

 (Customer)

Just as expected, that word is are too cruel.

Maybe he also thought the same, he tried to distract in a panic.

[Please don't tell it to me in the end like a joke!

If you feel sympathy for such strange things, it makes me more miserable!]

 (Kaoru)

[That's not it...]

 (Customer)

And the inside of the shop was wrapped in laughter.

❖ Five days later

I wake up.

In order not to wake up Riette-chan who is still sleeping,

I gently changed clothes and descended to the first floor,

Opening the curtain and the wooden window...

[Uwa!]

 (Kaoru)

Outside, there is a long line.

No, until now, we sometimes still have a long line of customers formed.

However, this time it looks a bit strange. There's no reason for them to gather here this soon.

The discount sale only happened yesterday...

I can't think of a reason.

And...

Although they are quietly lined up without making noise, everyone's face has frustration in their eyes, it's bloodshot eyes.

[Wha, what's this...?] (Kaoru)

When I was still wondering, the door was knocked *con~con~ (SFX)*

And it was from a separate entrance from those who line up.

I hurry to remove the bartack.

And when I open the door, two men jumped into the shop.

[Kaoru, do you have any good medicines?

We can't deal with this problem with any kind of medicines!] (Good drug store owner 1)

[It's an emergency, I beg you!] (Good drug store owner 2)

It was the owner of the remaining two drugstores who didn't participate in the [[union]] among the five drugstores in this city, the capital.

Yes, the stores I'm contracting and wholesaling medicine.

[What in the world...] (Kaoru)

[It's an illness.

Apparently, it seems to be an epidemic and it's prevalent.

The patient's symptoms seem to be pretty intense. The patient has increased rapidly, and...

There are already a lot of deaths] (Good drug store owner 1)

[Eh!...] (Kaoru)

This is bad.

I was running a drugstore but I don't have any knowledge of medicine or medical science on my own. The potion cheat from Celes allows me to create any kind of medicines with any effect.

However, I can't name a disease or teach a cure.

At most, I know how to diagnose beriberi.
Um, knocking the kneecap with a mallet.
...It has no point in anything.

This is worrisome, what should I do...?

Chapter 80

Fuji is the number one mountain of Japan

Anyway, I must deal with the queue.

[Everyone, there is no medicine for the moment!

First of all, I will check the situation, and then I will consider how I can manage it. So please return for today!] (Kaoru)

Were they convinced that I could deal with it even though the medicine business was shut down days ago?

As expected, the line collapsed and everyone began to return.

But, for everyone to come to my place, it must be a serious disease.

However, more than dozens of people haven't yet returned and they keep lined up.

[Oh, the medicine has yet...] (Kaoru)

[We came to buy lunch box] (Customer)

Oh really...

The lunch box sale was dealt quickly to the lined people.

And then, I close the door, lower the wooden window, the curtain again and put out the tag 『Temporary close for today』

And we all had a meeting.

Members: I, the 2 shopkeepers of drugstores, Riette-chan who came down from the second floor to notice a fuss about the truth, Emil, Bell.

The two of them just cancelled their work at the guild today and stay at home.

Roland and Francette appeared unnoticed.

It's 『All Star Cast』 (In EN)

Ah, we are still lacking Ed's group.

[Tell me the outline of the emergency] (Kaoru)

To my request, the shop owner explained the details.

According to him, the disease occurred in the village to the east of the capital. Because of its strong infectious nature, the kingdom immediately shut down the village, prohibited people from entering and exiting.

But a few days later, the number of patients increased and the disease expanded rapidly in the capital.

[At first, to avoid confusion, it seems that the information was suppressed. Both the illness and the closure of the village.

Or rather, there's no official announcement.

However, because they stop the information from leaking.

Therefore, the kingdom can't carry out any countermeasure in the public.

And we, the drug store owners, have to find a way to deal with this epidemic without cooperation from others] (Good Drugstore owner)

What is the country doing...

Even though the initial movement is really important for such things.

[It's a pity, is the royal family of this country that incompetent?] (Roland)

Roland's words are also bitter.

Perhaps, because he is already royalty, he can't tolerate it.

If the country does something wrong, there will be a lot of death (Mass killing)

However, if everyone drinks the panacea made by me, they won't be affected by the disease.

Waiting until the violent epidemic is gone or simply moving to another country.

Our store was just renting rather than buying, I have enough funds to be able to move at any time.

Put all the interior items purchased in the item box.

Then I will be able to open a store soon in the next town.

...But (on 1 side) abandoning our regulars and everyone?

(another side) Identity and status are revealed? Superiority?

If that happens, I can run away again!

I decided that day.

I will live as I like in this world.

I do hold back, but I will not endure it.

I reflect on my mistake, but I will not regret!

[Sorry, everyone, we are going to take a trip again] (Kaoru)

[...Finally, the current setting was a little bit hard...] (Francette)

Roland bitterly smiles to the words of Francette.

Eh?

Was it so?

Is that so?

Sorry, Francette.

[[We will always do as your will]] (Emil + Bell)

Ah, Oh well, it's Emil and Bell after all...?

[There is no problem, I will follow you anywhere!] (Riette)

Yes, Riette-chan, I will definitely protect you!

Well, let's do it

[With that being said. Just leave everything to me. I will deal with it properly] (Kaoru)

As I said that to the shopkeepers, the 2 drugstore owners can't process the situation and are dumbfounded.

Well. **It's show time!** *(In EN)*

Here I go~!

Leaving the 2 shopkeepers dumbfounded, I opened the door and went outside the store.

And then taking out a small whistle, as big as a thumb from my pocket.

Put it in my mouth...

Pikopikoppi ~! Pikopikoppi ~! Pikopikoppi ~! (SFX)

Pikopikoppi ~! Pikopikoppi ~! Pikopikoppi ~! (SFX)

Pikopikoppi ~! Pikopikoppi ~! Pikopikoppi ~! (SFX)

I spent all of my vital capacity and blew at full power.

And, after a while, a number of children ran at full power, appeared from both sides of the road facing the store.

[First!

I am the first one. The work this time is mine!] (Orphan 1)

[Idiot, the explanation of the signal, have you forgotten?

This time isn't a normal job.

Isn't that right, Kaoru-sama?] (Orphan 2)

I nodded to the boy who arrived second.

Thank him repeat the explanation, everyone got it together.

And the children are gathering one after another. Children in orphanages and the vagrants living in the vicinity.

No, it's children who settled in abandoned houses and so on.

They are not actually [[vagrants]]

They seem to be homeless rather than vagrants, but that's fine.

These kids are children I am asking for errands and chores from time to time with coins and food as a reward.

Usually, I ordered the child on sight properly, but when there's no one nearby, I will call them by blowing this whistle.

If I blow once, 1 person, if I blow twice, two persons, if I blow 3 times, 3 persons.
It's an early first come, first served.
And if I keep on blowing to the whistle... It's an emergency call signal.
At that time, it's the work for everyone who heard the whistle sound.

Yes, it's an emergency.

The orphans gathered were in line in the order they came.
They know that I will never forgive misbehavior such as missing order, so, they do it properly.

And then I explained the contents of the request to them.

[Right now, a dangerous epidemic is spreading in the capital, no... this Kingdom.
Do you know what we are going to do?] (Kaoru)

Several orphans gulp.

[We will erase it, we will save the capital and this country] (Kaoru)

[[[[[Ooooooooooooo! Amazingggggggg]]]]] (Many Orphans)

Until now, I have paid the reward properly.

And more than that.
For the orphans and vagrants around here, who refused my request or doubted my words, I didn't heal them.

After witnessing my miracle, they all kind of worship me now.

For now, I pay the children, they get a bottle of potion and a silver coin one after the other which I pick up from the bag hanging on my shoulder.

And the number of potions is impossible to put in that bag, but no one cares about it.
Of course, including Francette's group.

And with my instructions, everyone drank the potion.
Alright, there is no worry that children will get infected with the disease.

[First of all, the four of you, go to the place taught by this person.
And say that the manager of 『Atelier Riette』 wants them to come to the statue of the central plaza by the 2nd bell of the morning.
After that, please do the same duties as other children that I will explain soon] (Kaoru)

I nominated four children and pointing towards Roland.

[Roland, tell these kids about the Lieutenant Colonel, the Middle Captain, and the house of the two aristocrats that came to my shop before.
You already gathered information about them, right? The aristocrats who bothered me before...] (Kaoru)

Roland is scratching his head, apparently, it's really so...

[You, go to Saletbart Real Estate and say 『Atelier Riette will stop doing business, please terminate the contract today, we already paid enough payment for this month』
Then continue to do the same with the others] (Kaoru)

Because the message content is longer than the other, I asked the oldest child.
And...

[This is the same work for everyone.
Notifying around the streets, the content is
『Epidemic disease medicine will be provided and anyone can get it for free.
From the 2nd bell of today morning, in front of the statue of the central plaza』
Do you get it?
Do you remember?
Alright, sortie!] (Kaoru)

Everyone ran like flying with their eyes shining.

[Why did Kaoru do such a thing?] (Francette)

Francette complains but that matter is decided!

[Because they are the people in the city that once took care of me, I can't let them die]
(Kaoru)

When I say so, Francette is...

[No, I think that it's natural for Kaoru to do so.

But I don't understand why you have to call even the aristocrats that brought you all the trouble before] (Francette)

Ah, you mean that!

[No matter if they are good or bad, they are 『acquaintance』 for the time being.

When I call them, they will think that I want to sell something or have a request. They will consider there might be profit or benefit for them.

If I excluded them out, there might be a chance that the aristocrats will not know anything at all.

For this time, I also want the military and aristocrats to get involved from the beginning, I want to spread information all at once.

In other words, because they are just messengers, it doesn't matter whether they are good persons or bad persons, it's only the person close to the route where the information is flowing as soon as possible to the aristocracy and the royal palace]
(Kaoru)

[Ah, I see!] (Francette)

Francette is finally convinced.

Roland seemed to know that from the beginning, there's no chance in his expression. As expected, rather than the King's brother he is better suited to be the king,... his spec is probably higher than his Majesty the King.

Well, before we head to Central Plaza, should I store all of the items in the store in the item box?

Let's take the signboard as well.

I will be able to use it next time.

Chapter 81

Center Plaza

When I arrived at the central square, quite a few people had already gathered.
Four nominated people have yet... ,

...Oh, the military group came running.
Oh, two carriages from the other side.
It's the aristocrats.

Alright, it seems that all the actors are ready.
Well, should I start soon?
Well, somewhere higher to stand...

Yes, because I am short, people will not be able to see my figure if I stand like everyone else and they will not be able to hear it.
Oh, the voice, should I go with this?
Come out Potion, the container is like a shawl type loudspeaker!

Well, the place is the statue of the goddess...
Or rather, let's ride on the pedestal part of the image of Ceres.
It's good that the person in charge will not get angry.

Alright, military and aristocratic groups arrived!
It will be troublesome if they capture me before being asked for an explanation.
Let's start!

[Everyone, you came.
From now, I will give you the medicine for the Epidemic disease] (Kaoru)

When I got up to the pedestal part, I said so with a loud voice with a loudspeaker.
Of course, the gathered crowd is quietly looking at me.
Was it too short for an explanation...

[Everyone, right now, there's a vicious Epidemic spreading in the Capital. Do you know

about it?](Kaoru)

There are those who do not know it, those who had noticed it a little, and those who are new to the world.

Although many people are present, it seems that many people, who don't know about this, have somehow come to this place following the others.

And uneasy, roaring noise is gradually spreading.

[Yes, the dead have begun to emerge, it's a really dangerous disease!](Kaoru)

The noise gets bigger and bigger.

[Stop it! What are you plotting?](Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Colonel rushed to stop me, but he was stopped by Roland and Francette. Bell and Emil are also helping as well.

Yeah, it is natural that Mr. Lt. Col tries to stop me.

Despite knowing the information to a certain extent, there is a reason why the army and the upper division never officially announce it.

Yes, if someone pulls the trigger, it will cause panic and become a big mess. If they deal with it badly, it will be a riot.

And now I was that Agitator. However...

[From now, I will distribute that special bulk drug for free!

If you drink this, you will not suffer from diseases and those who are already suffering will soon be cured.

The amount is plentiful, it's enough to spread to all the inhabitants of the Capital.

Because there are plenty, you don't need to hurry, do not rush.

Line up properly, act slowly... otherwise...](Kaoru)

And I created [something like nitroglycerin] in the air a few meters above the ground between me and the crowd.

Doon*! (SFX)

[The country will face the goddess's anger!](Kaoru)

The plaza, where it was noisy, turned silent in a blink of an eye.

And when I had the attention of everyone on me, I cast a dubious spell.

[My friend, goddess Celestine, will protect us from this epidemic!
Come out, the Medicine of Miracle!!] (Kaoru)

And, a mini statue of about 60 cm in height suddenly appeared at the feet of the goddess statue.

On its right shoulder is the vase, supported by both hands, which is tilted.

There was a white liquid flowing out from there.

The liquid disappears when it about to touch the ground near the feet of the Mini statue.

Yes, it refluxed and returns to the pot again.

If such a suspicious liquid flowed into the drainage path without limitation.

I would not know what would happen.

It is a big deal if the rats living in the drainage path become [[super-mouse]] (*in EN*)

The crowds gulp while staying silent.

Suddenly, the statue of the goddess appeared from nowhere.

A white liquid that continues to flow out without interruption from the goddess statue.

A mysterious girl.

The explosion of the punishment.

The crisis of the Kingdom.

Goddess' s protection.

[[[[[[Oooooooooohhhh!]]]]]] (Citizen)

Suddenly, an explosive cheering raised up.

To control the crowd, I kept shouting at the loudspeaker.

[Quiet! Do not panic, do not make noise!

Medicine will come out indefinitely without exhaustion. You don't need to be impatient!

Give prioritize to children and senile who were already sick, and wait for your turn in neat order.

Do you want to show such a shallow appearance to your family and friends, or do you want to face the anger of the goddess?] (Kaoru)

If the crowds rush all at once, it will be a catastrophe.
To prevent it, we need the sense of security [drugs are infinite without being exhausted] and the fear of [The anger of the goddess]

Before this miracle, there shouldn't be anyone who doubts the existence of goddess' punishment.

Or, they just watched it a while ago.

Goddess' punishment.

[Sir Lieutenant Colonel and Sir Squad Captain, please inform the Royal Palace and Military relations.

Don't forget about Royal Guard and the City Guard.

The two Sir Noblemen, please inform all the aristocracy people.

If the commoner went to inform, they will not believe it.

And if there's any stubborn noble, tell him that the friend of Goddess Celestine has appeared] (Kaoru)

I tried changing the way to talk a little more dignity.

Two aristocrats are dumbfounded with their mouth wide open.

But the soldiers are different indeed.

Indeed, if the soldier were frustrated by the unexpected situation, no matter how many lives there are, it won't be enough to stay alive.

They bowed to me trying to rush out...

[Please wait!] (Kaoru)

I stopped the two and grabbed two potions from the air.

Looking at it, the two of them and the crowds are dumbfounded as well.

[Drink! It's the same medicine with that one] (Kaoru)

The two of them do not hesitate and drink the potion right away.

In addition, I created 2 cloth bags in both hands from the air.

[Each of them has 12 potions. Let the Royal Family and the Ministers drink them.

As expected, we can't let his Majesty and the Ministers line up in this line] (Kaoru)

Receiving the cloth bag in silent and lowering their head again, the two rushed to the

royal palace.

...Eh?

[Why are not you going?] (Kaoru)

I asked two of the nobles who didn't move so.

[No, no, we still don't have medicines yet...] (Noble)

Oh, I see.

[Okay] (Kaoru)

I give each of them a potion created from the air one by one and they drink it.

[...Why are you still waiting?] (Kaoru)

[No, don't you give us the bag of medicine...?] (Noble)

Oh.

[There is none. Normal, ordinary nobles who aren't even ministers must wait in line]
(Kaoru)

[[Whaaaaaaaaat!? [] (2 Nobles)

They are still not going yet. But as soon as I glared at them, they went away.
Evil, fearsome!?
...Shut up!

[Well, everyone, as soon as you get a row. Do not panic or rush!
Drugs are just okay, just a small amount of drinking is okay.
For those who can't here, put it in a container and take it to them!] (Kaoru)

[[[[Huh....!?!]]]] (Citizen)

Ah, do not think about strange things, some people, what's with that reaction...

[Ah, even if you bring a lot home, it will not work on any other than this epidemic
You can drink for free here, and it will not have any effect after a day when you take it.
Also, what kind of face can you see your families and acquaintances if you are doing
such things...?

Even if you say that it's for your family members, you can cure 10 people with just a
cup.

Actually, it may be fewer.

So, you should drink it quickly, do not stop!

It is enough to drink a scoop by hand!] (Kaoru)

Okay, I managed to get people back on track!

It is safe with this.

Riette-chan tightly holds my right hand.

She was worried...

I did it...

But I couldn't help it.

When I heard from those two drugstore owners, the spread of diseases is abnormally
quick.

Perhaps it's comparable to plague, typhus, cholera etc on Earth.

If we are coping a bit slow, it will spread throughout the kingdom and the continent...
in an instant.

And, for me, I can't name the disease.

Naturally, what do you expect from the former average Office Lady?

I can not distinguish between plague and typhus,

I do not know anything about the cause or characteristic of the disease, how to cope,

I barely know what the diagnostic method of beriberi striking the knee.

And even if I sell medicine at a store, it makes no difference.

Only people, who can afford to live, will come to buy medicine.

Many people rely on free private therapy without buying medicine, even for orphans,
vagrants, homeless people, and ordinary citizens.

No matter how cheap the medicine is, or even when I make it free, there are still many
people who don't come to the drug stores.

There's no meaning in that case, on the contrary, if people in the kingdom rush into
the store, there is no way they can handle it.

So, with this, a free distribution in a wide place, it has a strong deterrent effect not to panic or compete in such a way that everyone is flooded, it prevents aristocrats and the royal palace from monopolizing...

And it can already be solved only by the goddess or the angel.

Yes, that means [[Chestmate]]

I do not even know the name of the disease.

And if I created the medicine that can cure any sickness in the public,

All over the world, people will start a witch hunt, no an [[Angel hunt]]

Because I'm not masochistic, both the witch hunting and angel hunting are dismissed.

That's why I used a roundabout and convenient way, the Goddess approved [[Potion Studio]] (named by me).

And this is how it's done.

[[The potion that can acquire antibodies, cure the epidemic prevalent in the kingdom just by drinking a small amount.

If you don't drink the potion in 24 hours after picking it out from the statue, it will lose effectiveness.

The container is a small goddess image statue with infinite generation and circulation system.

Come out!]]

Foul play?

It's okay, I decide the rules here.

Chapter 82

Angel-sama again (1)

Even with a huge number of people, the time taken for each person is short.
Some of them voluntarily lined up and bought out the medicine in cups. They guided the row and made it proceed from the side rather than from the front.

Nice!

If it's just one straight line, the first people must walk to the mini statue, stops there, scoops, drinks and leaves the place. It takes time.

But from the sideline like this, people just walk and take the cup of medicine, they will only stop in a moment.
It is a good work.

The principals, who are doing the volunteer, seem to be very happy and have their eyes shiny.
Well, because they are 『Helping the angel』, it's just like they become the apostle of Goddess.
There seems to be no better pleasure.

It seems that there's no problem even if I leave the rest to them.

A while later, they came.
Yes, of course.
Military soldiers.
Infantry is the majority, but there is also a number of cavalries.
...and a flock of aristocrats.

[Get out of the way, commoners!
The Miracle medicine is my...] (Noble)

Do~on! (Explosion SFX)

[Hii~!] (Noble)

The aristocrat, who was closest to the statue of the goddess, came out of his carriage and shout to the row of citizens. I gave him 『Something like nitroglycerin』, a gently Present.

And, the roof of the carriage is blowing off while the two horses are sitting in frightened.

Horses are fairly cowardly animals, they will stop moving in frightened just by the shadows passing in front of their eyes.

And this time, they could not escape by pulling the carriage so they sat down on the spot.

The aristocrat, who was shouting just now, has been shrunk with both his hands holding his head to protect himself from the fragments of the roof that fell into him or just being frightened.

[Foolish Mortal!

How dare you do something against the will of the goddess.

In that case, shall I fulfill your wish of dying right away?

If so, you will not have to worry about epidemic anymore] (Kaoru)

A loud voice swept from a shawl-type speaker reverberated in the plaza.

The sound isn't broken and it's quite high performance. It's not average (normal)?

I wished it that way, it's an excellent piece of the 『Goddess' workshop』

Alright, both aristocrats and troops stopped on the spot.

The one who leads the military is... Mr. Lt. Colonel.

[Behold, the miracle of the goddess!] (Kaoru)

And another one, one more Mini statue was created...

For there citizen, it's not much difference now, even if I created one or two more.

For that reason, I prioritized the impact on aristocrats and military.

[Soldiers. Form a line for this second statue of the goddess to take medicine.

And, the soldiers will move according to the instructions of the commander.

Cooperating with the security guards to maintain the security of the Capital.

Bring the drugs to sick people that can't move to this place.
And please spread the information, as long as you can drink the miracle medicine from the goddess, you don't have to be afraid of this epidemic any longer.
If you are already sick, you will be healed and if you are still healthy, you will be immune with this epidemic disease.
As for the nobles... line up behind the soldiers and people in order] (Kaoru)

[Oooooohhhh] (Soldiers)

The cheers from the soldiers are raising up and then they begin to make rows as instructed by their superiors.
That is truly an army.
With the order, the rows are formed rapidly.

Noisy voices are rising from the aristocrats...

[For the goddess, neither aristocrats nor the commoners are of her concern.
For her, it's only people that respect and follow or go against her will.
If you don't want to line up, you don't have to drink it] (Kaoru)

As I said so, the nobles began to queue in silence.

Oh, some of the nobles don't line up, they let their servant line up with containers to get the medicine for them.
Apparently, it seems to them they have heard the explanation perfectly.

The servant will work properly and bring the medicine for the nobles.
Then why do they bother to come by themselves?

Well, maybe they wanted to see the miracle with their own eyes or did they think about getting the miracle medicine of the goddess in their hands...?

[Kaoru, no, Angel-sama...] (Lt. Col)

Oh, Mr. Lieutenant Colonel.
It seems that this time he came on a horse.

[Just Kaoru is okay. If you call me with Angel-sama, my spirit will be drained...] (Kaoru)

[Is that so... well, that's right, you are that kind of person...] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Col seems to be convinced.

There are some people around that I don't recognize.

Thinking from their attitude, they seem to be equal to Mr. Lt. Col

Are they the captains of the other nine battalions?

It doesn't seem that all of them are captains though...

[So, Kaoru, what are you going to do after this?] (Lt. Col)

Yeah, that's right. There's nothing for me to do in this place anymore.

Well, I should properly clean up.

[I will go to the East] (Kaoru)

[The East?] (Lt. Col)

[Yes, it is a village in the east, which seems to be the origin of this epidemic disease.

If I don't cure the villagers and erase the disease there, the epidemic may spread beyond the kingdom and it will become serious...] (Kaoru)

Mr. Lieutenant Colonel listens to it with a slightly dark face.

[That village is already held down, people are banned from entering and exiting until the epidemic fits] (Lt. Col)

...Well, are the villagers trapped in the village, waiting until all of them die?

Or, they will use fire, disinfect the whole village?

I will not let you do it!

I spoke to the people who are organizing the rows by volunteering.

[I have to go to a village suffering from this epidemic.

May I ask you to take care of the two mini statues until everyone in the capital healed?]
(Kaoru)

[[[[[Ooooh, please leave it to us!!]]]]] (5 men)

The angel of the goddess gave a mission.
Such an honor, it would be unheard of.
Five men are shivering with their eyes shining.

[Then, when all the soldiers' turn is over, please use it for everyone in the citizen and proceed in two rows, please] (Kaoru)

With that said, I jumped down from the base of the (big) statue.
The wave of people in front of me divided into left and right...

Moses?

Well, I don't think there are people who dare to block my way in this situation.
In any case, it's a departure to help the villagers that are likely to die in the epidemic.

[...Allow me to lead the way] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Colonel suddenly said such a thing.

Well, I don't know what to do...

Well, if I go that village, there should be many soldiers at that place, so there's no point refusing Mr. Lt Colonel here.

Besides, I don't know the location of the village in question.

I have already gone and done it this far, there was no need to keep secret anymore.
And if I was stopped by the soldiers over there, it might be convenient that a great military captain was with me...

When I thought of various things, Mr. Colonel whispered in a low voice.

[Please.

If you give us the leading role of the angel.

It will be a lot of benefit for us from now on...] (Lt. Col)

Oh, that sort of thing.

Convinced.

Then, I will direct it like that.

Because I was indebted to him in various ways, it's a substitute service.

Uhm, Mr. Lt. Col's name... ,
Ugu, I don't remember!
I have always called 『Lieutenant Colonel』 or 『Captain』...
It can not be helped.

[Kingdom Army's 2nd battalion's Captain. I place my trust and the safety of everyone else on you
Lead us to save the villagers!] (Kaoru)

[Yes, I'm thankful for such kind words!
As the third son of Earl Vonhas and the Kingdom Army 2nd battalion's Captain, I, Nevas von Vonhas, will fulfill that duty even with the cost of this life!] (Nevas)

Yes, he is a great man... and me too.

No, it's better to show off as great here. The citizen will obey the instructions of great people.
Besides, it will create a gap with me, the average Kaoru with average attitude and 『the angel who has a great attitude』 in the story. People will be harder to find out my identity from now on.
I did it well for the time being.

Unlike me, Mr. Lt. Col firmly said that out loud to properly advertise his parents' name with his full name.
After all, the person who tries to deceive is different...

Mr. Lieutenant Colonel's voice is speaking quite loud, so it spreads far enough.
And even if Mr. Lieutenant Colonel's voice didn't spread to some people, my voice through the shoulder-type speaker will be sufficient for the advertising effect.
Well, are you going, Mister Helping-out (助さん), Mister Capable (格さん)...



We ended up splitting between the left and right, and we are led by Mr. Lt. Col.

Mr. Lt. Col is riding the horse and we are on foot.

Mr. Lieutenant told me that he will prepare a carriage, but I refused.

Well, doing such a thing, Ed who did not have a turn recently would get angry.
So, we went to the horse store, where I entrusted Ed and collected everyone.
I took Ed while holding Riette-chan and leaving as it is.

And a little away from the capital, where there is no-one nearby...

[Come out. Chariot (EN)] (Kaoru)

Suddenly a horse carriage with a sweet name appeared in a place where there was nothing, Mr. Lieutenant Colonel has his mouth wide open.

However, he seems to have regained calmness soon.

Yes, it's late now.

After connecting Ed, I put Riette-chan on, and I get on as well.

[Departure] (Kaoru)

Farewell, the Capital!

Perhaps after this time, I will not come back here anymore.

Although I may secretly return to the Kingdom of Balmoa for a quick visit.

...Yes, secretly, secretly!

Who would want to do something like 『a visit by the Angel』 ?

Anyway, for now, I need to save the village in the east.

[Many people are suffering, I ask of you, Ed!] (Kaoru)

[Leave it to me, Young Miss!] (Ed)

Then, with Ed pulling the Chariot went ahead, four horses followed after.

Behind us is Mr. Lt. Colonel's horse.

Well, after all, Ed's group are not average...

Mr. Lt. Colonel's horse has a nervous face as he tries to keep up with us.

...Okay, I will give you a potion later.

Of course, it's not for Mr. Lt. Col but for the horse.

Chapter 83

Angel-sama again (2)

We arrived in the village of the East before evening.

When I saw a village-like ahead, I stored the carriage (Chariot) in the item box. And I changed to riding on Ed with Riette-chan.

And when I turned to the road, which leads towards the village, diverted from the highway, there were several soldiers ahead.

[Stop!] (Soldier)

We were stopped by a soldier instantly on the spot.

I don't know if the soldiers are able to see Mr. Lt. Col, the last one on our line, but it will be impossible for him to stand for me, the first one in line.

When I glanced at him, Mr. Lt. Col seems to be somewhat troubled.

[Traffic is forbidden here, return to the highway and head to the next village, which you may arrive by the time it gets dark.] (Soldier)

Yes, a good soldier who is faithful to his duties.

But I refuse! (Jojo's meme)

[I'm a drugstore's owner.

I know about this epidemic.

As for the treatment, I have prepared a special magic medicine.

The spread of disease in the capital was stopped.

All I have to do is to completely cure the disease in this village] (Kaoru)

[What, really?] (Soldier)

What a nice soldier, we have here.
He also doesn't want to block the village or kill the villagers.

As he listened to my words, his face started to show relief.
Then I took a glance at Mr. Lt. Col.
As Mr. Lt. Col nodded, the soldier had a full-smile.

[Please go through!
And please save the villagers!] (Soldier)

I do not know whether or not they are able to communicate, but the soldier let us proceed on the road to the village with a thumbs up.

Before entering the village, there are soldiers blocking the way again.
Well, they took a good care of it...

Double check for security is a natural measure.

As I got close enough to speak with a soldier.

[You, how did you come here?] (Soldier 2)

Yeah, because there are other soldiers blocking the way to come here, no one can come here.

On the contrary, this soldier is probably a guard to prevent villagers from leaving the village, maybe.

Well, if he asked how did I come, I just needed to answer.

[...On a Chariot!] (Kaoru)

The soldier had a blank face. (Not sure if Kaoru calls the Chariot out or not)

[...Chari?] (Soldier 2)

Profoundly Tsukkomi here.

[She is the drugstore's owner, we brought the medicine for the epidemics. Let us pass!]
(Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Colonel spoke to the shocked soldier from the behind. I could get through now.

Do it from the beginning!

Or rather, why are you at the end when you have the leading role?

You are not useful here...

Well, I could go to the village now, it's okay.

There's no figure of any soldier in the village.

That's right, they do not want to get sick.

People in the village seem to be confined in their respective houses, and there are no figures of people at all.

Well, look like I must do it on my own.

With the shawl-mounted speaker hanging on the shoulder that I used at the Capital.

[Everyone in the village. I have brought the medicine!

If you drink it, you will be healed right away!

For those who can not move, please let your family members take in your stead and bring it back to you.

If you call out loud, I will come from here!]

This is just a small village. I don't have to do something unreasonable like the Capital. Normally, I only need to hand over the bottle potion.

After a while, several doors were opened with rattles, and several villagers appeared. Maybe they couldn't get out of the house because of the sickness, or were they afraid of infection?

...Maybe, both.

Oh, perhaps they may be instructed to stay indoors.

For those who already suffer and whose symptoms have advanced considerably, there will be nothing to lose any longer.

Besides, there should be anyone, who are trying to fraud by coming to the sick nest which the soldiers are blocking the way.

There are several villagers somewhat afraid to approach.

Other house doors are opened slightly, and many eyes are peeping through the gap.
Of course. I only need a few people as Guinea pigs, ahem,... demonstration.

Everyone doesn't have to try it all at once.

My voice amplified by the speaker seems to be loud enough to be heard from afar
Even the soldier on the side of the road also showed interest but he still stood there
and stared at us.

Perhaps he cannot come here because of the order.

Well, If the soldier gets infected, he will become a source of infection and damage will
spread when he returns to the Capital.

And before that, many military soldiers will suffer first.

So, he will never be able to break the order.

No matter how much he wants to help the villagers.

Ah.

Not good, I didn't notice.

I put my hand in and take out the potion from the bag.

[Bell, give it to the soldiers and say that it's a medicine that will cure him and prevent
him to get sick.] (Kaoru)

[I understood!] (Bell)

Yeah, even if I cured all the villagers, however, if the soldiers become sources of
infection.

And then when they move to other cities and villages in this country or even other
countries, many cities and villages will be infected, it's a bad move.

...And, after the soldiers received the potion from the Bell, he put it in his pockets.

Well surely, it's rather suspicious.

There's also a possibility that the villagers will be "purged" along with the watchman
by the king's order, it's not zero.

Even Mr. Lt. Col is here with us, the young soldiers at the bottom would not remember
all the face of the superior officers of other troops, military uniforms or anything else.

It's reasonable to say that when you are in an important mission, you will not listen to

instructions or orders from anyone other than your direct supervisor.

Well, as it is, he only has to decide after seeing the results of the villagers, there is no problem.

[...Really?

It really cures this disease] (Villager)

One of the villagers, who finally came up to me, said that and gazed at me.

Well, from the people here, it seems like an underage child.

For now, I put my hand into the bag and take out the potion.

[Drink] (Kaoru)

Although he still has a little power to walk, the man seems to be weakened considerably.

And then after he opens the lid of the bottle, he drinks the contents in one gulp.

[Uwoo...] (Villager 1)

[[[What's wrong with you!!]]] (Several Villagers)

[Delicious...] (Villager 1)

Other villagers are dumbfounded and drop their shoulders.

And the man, who drank the potion.

[I feel refresh... somehow, my head seems clearer...] (Villager 1)

Perhaps it's because the fever has subsided.

Reversing the eradication of pathogens and physical disorders,

His body temperature has returned to the original because (I decided) it will have that effect.

Because he still doesn't recover his weakened physical strength, it seems that he is still a little staggering.

If the potion doesn't recover the state abnormality,

Even if the pathogen is killed, the patient might still die before he recovers. It will leave a bad aftertaste so I put a slowly but surely abnormality recover in the effect of the potion.

However, if the patient suddenly became healthy right after drinking, it's too unnatural and unpleasant.

He will have an appetite if he gets back to physical condition so it will not be a problem.

His complexion is still bad, but when compared to a moment ago, his complexion is clearly improved.

As the villagers saw a man became better after drinking a potion, they stick out their hands toward me all at once.

[Give me a medicine too!] (Villager 2)

[Yes, yes. There are enough potions, so do not panic, please slowly drink it!] (Kaoru)

As I said so, I pulled out other potions from my bag and hand over the potion I created to the villagers. They immediately open the lid and drink it.

[...I got better.] (Villager 2)

[My heart isn't painful anymore...] (Villager 3)

[The Abdominal pain disappeared...] (Villager 4)

Abdominal pain and chest pains?

What sort of disease is this?

While I was wondering about such a thing.

[Please give me my wife and son's portion!] (Villager)

[Please give me both parents and sister!] (Villager)

I gave out the potions to the five villagers one after another again.

I repeat putting my hand in the bag and bring the potion I created.

And when I noticed, people started coming out from the houses of the village.

It seems that they don't have power left to run, they all seem to be desperate. Apparently, it seems like I don't have to act like 『The Holy Angel』 again.

No, I never wanted to do it.

Well, I don't deny that it was a little fun when I did it, it can't be helped, right? But it was when there are only a few people!

However, the number of inhabitants at this place is at most 200 to 300 villagers, what will happen if I act like 『The Holy Angel』 when it isn't needed?

If I don't have to do it, there's nothing better.
Mainly, for my mental health reasons.

However, I think that it won't be long before the villagers notice.
...That an impossible amount of potion, which can't be stored in my bag, has been taken out.

Chapter 84

Angel-sama again (3)

In the evening of the same day, the villagers start cooking in the center of the village.

Even though they have been healed from the disease, there are still many villagers, who are still in weak physical condition, they can't prepare meals by themselves and besides, they must eat easy to digest food.

Everyone was all hungry.

So, it's necessary for everyone to make a meal together because it is inefficient to prepare meals for each family. And it only serves as a celebration for the village has overcome their crisis of extinction.

Anyway, If they don't eat, they won't recover their physical strength.
It's also providing nutritious.

If the villagers are hungry and have no nutrition, they can't recover.
It's meaningless to cure them if they can't recover.
Even just one bowl of rice-soup is fine, they must at least eat something.

I rejected the plan of Mr. Mayor to make it a festival.
If they do such a thing, some people might die for real.

No, some people are still staggering, some of them are still in dangerous situations,
Instead of waiting for preparation of a festival and forcing them to eat,
I want the village to have a group-meal which is easy to cook, I also secretly mix it with
the weak condition recovery Potion, that its effect will be kept even after mixing in
food.

They are still recovering if they do something like a festival, people will drink wine,
get dressed, or dance and make noise.etc, they might die for real. It's no joke.

And now, at first glance, everyone seems to be in good shape, but it's just [the mal-nutrition has been resolved] and they still didn't return to their normal condition,

their strength still didn't come back yet.

A lot of people are already dead.

What would you do if the festival increases the number of dead, while it isn't needed...

No, because they have escaped death, so what they need to do is mourning the death, happy for able to survive.

I rejected the [festival] and I tell the villagers to digest some food as the will of God,
The [festival] will also be available at a later date,
I really want them to do it well to overcome their sadness.

[How much longer do you think they will arrive?] (Kaoru)

[Well, I can not guarantee, but they probably depart at tomorrow afternoon, they will arrive around late-night.

A soldier has been departed earlier, he will arrive in the capital before dawn and reports about this in the morning.

After that, the information will be examined at the morning meeting. After confirming everything, a horse-drawn carriage will be prepared for Kaoru.

The temple might also try to interrupt it, the departure would be delayed and it was probably the afternoon] (Lt. Col)

[Oh...] (Kaoru)

One of the soldiers, who were barricading the village, has headed for the Capital as soon as possible to report the situation.

Because they can't enter the village and contact with the villagers, they can't obtain well water nor food.

As a result, they can't take care of the horse properly. That's why they don't have horses available and must take time to move on foot.

I was asked if I could lend them Ed, but of course, I refused.

Normally, you need to act fast when reporting the occurrence of an emergency situation,

There's no need to rush if you just report a resolution.

In the first place, I want to earn time, how can I work together with them to shorten the time?

More important, I won't leave Ed's group to anyone for any reason.

[Then, at least, it's until the evening of tomorrow...] (Kaoru's muttering)

We want to depart from here already, but Mr. Lt. Col tries to stop us.

I tell him back "what will happen if we remain here?"

I will keep complaining about how much I hate it, in the end, he agrees with me.

If I were an ordinary girl, he definitely tried to bring me back to the Capital.

But it seems that the hurdle was truly high as 『to go against the will of the Holy angel』
...Convenient, 『The Holy Angel』

That's why I want to withdraw before the pickup from the Capital comes, but before that, I have something to do.

I asked him that question before to know how much time I have to use.

Well, it's a whole day.

I wonder if I will be on time.

I have to clean up things.

Well, of course, it's 『Investigate the cause of the illness』

Unprecedented powerful epidemic suddenly occurred in any irreverent village?

By chance, did pathogenic bacteria mutate in this neighborhood?

Its possibility is also not zero, but it would be better to check it properly.

Although it's an amateur thought. I'd better do it.

After eating a lot of meal and everyone became full, I asked the village chief to collect the information about this village.

Of course, we didn't drink alcohol this time, so everyone is still awake.

[I will be asking important questions from now on.

As it will be concerned with the future of the village, think and answer it carefully]
(Kaoru)

Heard my words with a serious expression after they managed to get out of the crisis, everyone in the village nodded with a nervous face.

And I spread a piece of paper in front of everyone which have a drawing on it.

[Let's say this is the whole picture of this village, please write the place of the house where there are dead people] (Kaoru)

[Yes...] (Village chief)

Everyone doesn't seem to understand well, but they try to write it as I said. However, even if I look at the writing status, there's not much significant information.

[Well, is there anything in common with the dead villagers?] (Kaoru)

Heard my question, the village chief answered.

[Oh, well, old people, people who were weakly originally, and those who had already had sick...] (Village chief)

Oh, I'm an idiot! Naturally, it is!

[I'm sorry. I will change the question, please write the houses of [(villagers who got ill first)] this time] (Kaoru)

Then I took out new papers and hand it to them in the same way. And the people in the village start to work again without complaining.

[Marc, Chiara, Joey, and Veit... first fell out of shape...] (Villager)

[Martha, and to Joshua...] (Villager)

Oh, no.

[Sorry, please divide the time into 10, please write with numbers from 1 to 10] (Kaoru)

They do not know the meaning of the work they are doing, so I have to tell them specific things to do.

Okay, okay, it's going well...

[Mummmu...] (Kaoru)

[Do you understand something?] (Roland)

Roland, who had not spoken so much until now, looked at the paper and asked me from the side.

[Well, there are infected people early around here,
It may be because they live close to the initial patient...] (Kaoru)

[What's the point, then it's meaningless to investigate the concentration area] (Roland)

Sure it is, I wonder if there is something to be a hint...

It seems that this small concentration area is scattered in another place because someone was infected from the early patient and spread only around that person. I thought I could figure out something if I got a figure, but I could not understand anything by an amateur or even an expert view.

Well...

[The Valley!] (Village chief)

[Uoo!] (Kaoru??)

Suddenly, the village chief cried out loud, I was surprised.

[The common point of the early disease is The Valley!

It's around the valley side of the village, where the people who first got sicked are gathered, where the hunters are living.

And the hunters go hunting through the forest towards the valley.

Early patients in this place were Chiara, Martha, and Veit.

They sometimes going fishing, gathering in The Valley.

I thought the cause is in The Valley!!] (Village chief)

Great!

He fully understands the meaning that made this figure drawn, accurately analyzed and got reasonable conclusion using the knowledge about the villagers as the village

chief!

Who is he!?

...Is he really a village mayor?

[As expected of Village Chief!

I heard that you were called a prodigy in your childhood...] (Villager?)

[Hmm, there were times when I was called like that] (Village chief)

Uze~e!

The Village Chief said so with a Doya face.

Anyway, what he said must be true even I don't know about the valleys and the villagers who often go there.

It is a matter indeed.

[You are amazing, Village Chief!

I will try to investigate the valley tomorrow, so may you arrange someone who is still healthy to be our guide?] (Kaoru)

[Well, you are our village's benefactor.

Of course, we will cooperate with everything!

I will ask a hunter who is still healthy to guide you] (Village chief)

And then, we decided to stay in the village chief's house.

In a small village where there's no inn, it's decided that the village head's house is the only place that the guests can stay.

The village head's house is bigger than the other villagers' houses...

No, maybe he is a bit luxurious.

Well, there must be some reasons.

The soldiers?

They are on the side of the road, alternatively, take a nap on the blanket.

Well, due to the nature of the mission, it can't be helped.

According to the story of the villagers, it seems that the same soldiers will remain

there to keep watch.

The carriage with water and food will come whenever alternate personnel from the Capital come every few days.

It may be for preventing infections spread out in the country.

You were been through, soldiers...

Let's give them some service later.

It was late in the morning that I left the Capital, and it began to get dark at the sunset.

We don't need dinner because we eat the same cooking with the villagers.

I should go to the strategy meeting tomorrow with the Village Chief.

Whatever the outcome is, we will be leaving here in the evening tomorrow.

At that time, I would ask the villagers 『Absolutely stay away from the Valley』

Because all the villagers have drunk medicine, they have complete tolerance to that disease. They will be okay in any case.

However, I would like to investigate the cause if possible.

Besides, there is a possibility that illness spreads beyond the Capital.

It might be not only the villagers, the soldiers here and the people at the Capital, but there might be also people who stopped by this village and didn't head for the capital.

Besides, after illness spreads in the capital, there will be some people heading from the kingdom to other cities.

They may already carry the disease.

And it may be spreading from village to village, city to town...

Every city, all around the village, and I have only one body.

It's impossible to completely stop the spreading alone.

...create a Potion to make other copies of myself?

No, it's bad!

Besides, once my copies were made, it would be impossible to restore.

And then, everyone else will say 『I am the original』, and they will kill each other even me.

I am scared!

Oh, that's 『Cogito, ergo sum』 the manga-ation.

Hey, hey!

[Kaoru-onee-chan, what's wrong? Your complexion is bad] (Riette)

[Kaoru, what's wrong? You have poor looking face] (Roland)

Riette-chan called to me in worry.

[Oh, no, it's nothing.

...And Roland.

So noisy, it's unnecessary care!!] (Kaoru)

Chapter 85

Angel-sama again (4)

The next morning, we left for the valley with the village hunter's guidance.

[Mr. Lieutenant Colonel may already return to the capital, your role of the guide has ended...] (Kaoru)

[After going this far do you think I can return just like this?
His Majesty will get angry if I don't properly see it to the end!] (Lt. Col)

[Oh, that's true though...] (Kaoru)

That's why we, Mr. Lt. Col and Mr. Guide Hunter went into the forest with a total of eight people.

Well, somehow, this path has been trampled (clear) steadily, maybe the villagers often use this way.

We still have some distance to the valley, but I will install it from around here.

Yeah, I thought about it last night, the glasses shaped target detector.

The lens on the left eye side is a PPI scope (Plan Position Indicator scope), and the lens on the right eye side shows the position of the target within the field of view with arrows or light spots.

Oh, no, I will correct it.

It is [[a potion container of a glasses-shaped target detector]]

There is a potion in the part to be fixed to the face properly.
And even if I'm wearing this, I can still see the front side properly.
No, with all the information display, I can't see the surrounding that well.

Because it is a thing to use for searching, I named it [[Searcher]]

It can't display the opponent's combat strength, so I choose a different name (Scouter)

After what I have done yesterday, everyone will not be surprised anymore.

Even this hunter only saw this for the first watch. He wasn't surprised either after seeing yesterday's [[potion that comes out indefinitely from the bag]] and its effect.

And, of course, the goal of this detector is set to search for [[pathogen of this disease]]

Even though there's nothing show on the detection now, I don't need to hurry.

After reaching the said valley, I can expand the range around it.

Right now, It's enough if I don't overlook important things when going through this forest.

...When I'm thinking so, something happens, what is this?

The PPI scope of the left eye shows a lot of light spots.

And because of the close range, I can see clearly that their light spots are moving.

It's too fast for the movement speed of bacteria.

If they are flying with the wind, the direction of movement and the speed of movement are strange.

And, the light spots are large.

This is the infected animals!

This is bad.

If the infection spreads through animals, I don't know when anyone, other than those in this village and the kingdom who took medicine, will be infected.

Then, based on the infected people, they spread again in some town...

Also, prey hunted by hunters of this village and neighboring villages are sold to merchants.

The merchant brought and sold not only to the Capital but also to the village, town here and there.

And people might eat without heating long just enough to kill the bacteria completely...

Anyway, let's head to the valley.

After a while, I arrived in the valley.

A beautiful stream of water is flowing.

Perhaps, it's the water field of animals around here.

Therefore, hunters are also hunting around here.

And because of the water field, the spotlight of the detector has increased considerably.

However, there is no such thing as an eye-catching animal... small animals like mice?

Okay, expanding the range... , What's this!

In the proximity range, it seemed to be a movement with no regularity, but when the range was increased, the whole picture was clearly understood.

Small movements disappeared, overall movement, overall flow, clearly appearing on the PPI scope.

The density of the light spot which becomes thinner as one moves away from it.

The shape spreading radially.

What is this other than the source of the cause?

The [Scouter](#) Searcher is too convenient!

[I will go to places where seems to be the source.

I don't know what it is, so everyone, be careful!

Roland keep an eye on Riette-chan, the others please tread with maximum caution!]

(Kaoru)

Riette-chan and the Royalty are the ones I must protect.

Bell and Emil are already hunters, they will be able to protect themselves.

Because the hunter is also a pro, he will not do something careless to become the hunted.

Well, I guess there's not much danger.

Until now, the people in the village have not seen any risks other than sick infection.

But we'd better be careful.

No-one can say for sure that the animal which is affected by the disease won't become

ferocious.

Carefully.

And when we are approaching the center of the light spot, the direction with the highest density...

[What is this?] (Kaoru)

Somehow, there was something that I couldn't understand.

Three to four meters in diameter, something chubby... what is this?
Somehow, space, itself, is twisting and twisting like a sinuous...

And from that point, something disgusting leaks out, occasionally the appearance of small animals like rats appear.

[This is it!] (Kaoru)

I cried so, but I have no idea what this is.

I don't think we can slash it with the sword, and I feel that it will be serious if we touch it.

Yes, this one, 『You must not touch it, absolutely』

[Kaoru, what is it? Something distorted...] (Francette)

Ah.

Heard the words of Francette, I got the idea of the identity of this.

But I'm not the person in charge.

It's not something we can do as human beings.

Then, what should I do?

Yes, I should call the person in charge.

[Potion in that crystal sphere container, come out!] (Kaoru)

And one crystal ball that appears in my palm.

[Please work, an emergency calling device!] (Kaoru)

The next moment, the quartz ball released dazzling light, and immediately after that, a light ball appeared above the sky.

The sphere of light gradually changed its shape and finally became a beautiful girl. Yes, it is the descent of the goddess Celestine.

[Where is the distortion?] (Celes)

And, the same as 4 years ago, the speech of Celes.

[Eh (are), Kaoru-chan?

Geez, then it's not distortion. What's wrong?] (Celes)

[There] (Kaoru)

[Eh?] (Celes)

Celes is blind.

Perhaps, Celes think that I just called her for something else.

Um, with the quartz crystal for the emergency.

However.

[There. Over there, I think it is the [[distortion]] that Celes is monitoring...] (Kaoru)

[Eh? Eeeeh? EEEEEEEEEEEHHHH! It's true, distortion, it's the distortion!] (Celes)

Celes raises astonishment scream.

And more surprised, everyone standing dumbfounded with their mouth open.

No, not for Francett and Rolando. Four years ago, they have witnessed it, Celes descended...

[Get away! Get further away from here!] (Celes)

Everyone does not respond at all to the scream of impatient Celes.

[Run away!

If you don't want your body to fall apart and die, follow me!] (Kaoru)



Once is enough. I don't want to die again with 『distortion』 nor anyone to die like me.

I picked up Riette-chan and ran away in a hurry, finally, everyone also returned to their mind and ran away together.

In any case, the goddess and the angel are in a panic, I guess they have noticed that something wrong.

...However, Celes.

Do you have to do so in a hurry?

I think that it has been quite a long time since you deal with the 『distortion』 , but wasn't it okay to wait for only a couple of minutes?

Yes, until we are far enough...

No, it's understandable even if I say it.

『Because it is Ceres』

Yes, 『Because it is Ceres』

Damn it!!

Roland, overtaking me and picking Riette-chan from my arms.

Truly a royal family, he reacts fast even when such chaos, he deserves respect.

...I left Riette-chan to Roland and I ran away quickly.

No, I don't mind it!

Rather than the two of us get hurt or die together, it's better if I can at least save Riette-chan.

Emil is pulling the hand of Bell,... they stay perfectly behind me.

Perhaps, they try to protect my body from danger by using their bodies as a shield.

They could easily go over me... For real, these big idiots are...

And the back of the two is protected by Francette.

Oh, enough already, idiot!

Mr. Lt. Col and the hunter?

They are far away!

Apparently, they don't want to engage in the heavenly troubles.

Yes, that is normal!

Well, the lack of exercise, this is my limit...

Oh, my feet are tangled!

I fell down on the ground.

And then.

Uaaoh!

Two shocks on the back.

Did you fell on me, Bell and Emil?

No, it's not!

In order to protect me, they covered me using their body as a shield!

This, this stupid couple!

[Here it comes!] (Francette)

It comes!

Together with the voice of the Francette, the shock comes again.

Yeah, Francette covered Bell and Emil.

...I knew.

And a violent shock hit us.

Chapter 86

Angel-sama again (5)

[[Aah, I thought I was going to die...]] (Bell and Emil)

Bell and Emil stood up saying that.
No, me too, I thought that I would die as well!
Hey, Francette and Celes... ah, there they are.

[So, why did not you wait until Kaoru-chan retreated?] (Francette)

Gyaaa! Why did Francette preach Celes?

Celes, even she is somewhat of an airhead.
She is rather short-tempered.
She doesn't care that much about human being.
Only when a disaster occurs, that many people will die, she sometimes appears to help out.

Or unless she is interested in a human, just like me...

This is bad.

[Sorry...] (Celes)

Ah, huh?

[Kaoru-chan right now only has a human body, if you aren't careful, her body will be destroyed!] (Francette)

[Yes...] (Celes)

Oh, somehow, with a miraculous balance, the talk is engaging well...

[Because you are her friend, you should think about the other party a little more...]

(Francette)

[Yes...] (Celes)

Oh, so because it's about me, that's why Francetter is angry.

[In the first place, You aren't the only goddess, Kaoru-sama is...] (Francette)

Gyaaaaa~~!!

[Calm... down... Fran?!] (Kaoru)

[Mmmmmmmmmmmmm...] (Francette)

I rushed to Francette with a dash and closed her mouth.

Physically.

As expected, it looks bad. Celes' mood.

[So, Celes, I'd like to ask about this 『distortion』...] (Kaoru)

Of course, it is true that I want to know about it.

But now, the main purpose is to distract Celes' mind!

[Oh, yes, Kaoru, thank you! This time I was saved!] (Celes)

That is what Celes explained to me about it.

The distortion is very small at first, however, when it gets bigger to a certain extent, it expands all at once. I wonder if it was like water leaking from a small hole in a water dam and when the hole gets big enough the whole dam broke.

And whether she finds it, she must deal with it before the rapid expansion,
Or the 『distortion』 will cause the magnitude of damage.

However, it seems really difficult to discover it when it's still small.

For that purpose, Ceres divided her conscious body and dispatched them here and there (Kaoru, you should test it out as well, your copies won't try to kill each other)
At the same time, she also seeks help from humans with the 『Crystal for reporting』

...There are many times that the humans just report a false alarm, but it's better than doing nothing.

When the [distortion] expands, it spreads from several tens of kilometers to several hundreds of kilometers at once.

The dimensional wall, which separated the adjacent world, would split and both the worlds would coalesce.

With the difference in air pressure, the atmosphere flows with tremendous momentum.

It will cause heavy windstorm, living beings will be hard to survive the atmospheric pressure fluctuation and most of the creatures of both worlds will die.

Also the possibility that inflowing air is toxic to the counterpart world's creatures.

Furthermore, it may cause Dimensional Tremor.

It seems that there are cases where it can lead to large-scale collapse involving surrounding dimension worlds as well, not just the adjacent world alone.

It's the role of Celes to prevent them,

In the worse case, if she can stop it only by the destruction of one dimension world, she won't hesitate to do it.

Even if she wipes out this world, it's still acceptable!

Uwa... I'm scared!

[So we have always been trying to find out when the distortions are small and dealt with it before the damage expands.

In case, we overlooked it and the distortion enlarged, there would be hundreds of kilometers radius of creatures died.

I could say that this time is a great success] (Celes)

(T.N: Celes calls all her copies as "we" not only her as "I")

[Well, then, what's about the country Rueda?] (Kaoru)

[Yes, at that time the damage was restricted to a fairly narrow area, so I was able to

restore it.

When it was dealt with, it was quite a good work as well.

And, this time there's no damage.

There's nothing better than to be able to deal with it before enlarging...] (Celes)

Celes seems to be very happy.

Oh, it seems there was no pressure difference, even though the atmosphere is also very bad a moment ago...

Yes, this is what I have been waiting for!

[Celes, the damage has already come out!

And it will continue to expand rapidly!] (Kaoru)

[Eeeeeh!?] (Celes)

Yes, that [[Epidemic]]

"The sickness that occurred here by chance, it was not brought from another world"

If there was anyone who thinks like that, I would doubt their sanity.

[The source of the disease has spread out from here.

I already stopped the spreading in the Capital and this village.

But it probably already spread to other towns and villages.

Because it is caused by [[distortion]] ,

Celes, isn't it in your scope of responsibility?] (Kaoru)

[Well... well, if the disease is caused by [[distortion]] , then... I guess... it's true] (Celes)

Eh? She doesn't seem like to do it.

[That's right!

Due to the [[distortion]]

There is an invasion of pathogens from different worlds and small animals of the host,

It's Celes' scope of restoration!

Because the physical damage was little this time, you should focus on restoring it]
(Kaoru)

[Un, it looks troublesome...] (Celes)

It can not be helped. This is the last resort!

[If this is the god of the earth, I wonder what would he do.

And when you two speak about the 『distortion』 this time, I wonder how would the think about Celes' consideration for humanity...] (Kaoru)

[Naturally!

Protecting humans from the damage caused by the 『Distortion』

Of course, it is my work!] (Celes)

...Piece of cake.

[Well then. It's impossible to return the pest's host... because it might cause another 『Distortion』

Then, since both the vermin and the pathogen has already invaded this world, please handle it completely.

Although it may be an innocent small animal other than a host of pathogenic bacteria, The probability of becoming a ridiculous irregular when it goes out of this world's ecosystem isn't zero.

Since it may spread over a wide area, please do not miss it] (Kaoru)

[I understand...] (Celes)

It may be a big trouble for me, but if it's Celes. With her ability, it will be easy...

[It is really troublesome for refine work!

How much effort do you think it takes to dispose of all small animals and bacteria that have spread all over the country?

There will be a lot of fine detail work!

It might be easier to shatter this planet and rebuild a new copy one!] (Celes)

Ary~a. Have you read the thought from my expression?

No way, you didn't really read my mind, right?

[Well, do your best.

Besides, if you struggle, you will be praised by the Earth god in return...

...he might say 『You are really working hard this time』, he might also pat your head...] (Kaoru)

[I can't waste time here anymore!
Alright, I will do my best and purify!
Well, Kaoru-san, see you later.
Thank you so much for this time.
I am glad that I have a good friend like you!] (Celes)

Saying that Celes disappeared in a sweep.

[.....] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Col stands still like petrified.

Before I knew it, he already heads back, the hunter who is the guide member...
Ah, maybe he is afraid, so he tries to get as far as possible and watching from there.

Other members?

They are accustomed to the advent of Celes of the last time, they are also accustomed to the behavior of 『Goddess, me』 on a daily basis, and they don't hold any doubt that 『Goddess is like that』

...Damn.

[Just... now...] (Lt. Col)

[Yes, It's Celes. Ah, in here, people are calling her 『Goddess Celestine』] (Kaoru)

[...] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lieutenant Colonel (.exe) doesn't restart...

Chapter 87

Angel-sama again (6)

[Well, we have done my business here. Mr. Lt. Col, thank you for all your help.] (Kaoru)

[Wait! Wait Wait Wait Wait!] (Lt. Col) (Lt. Col.exe is just restarting, all 5 previous commands start at once)

To my farewell greetings, Mr. Lt. Col is desperately trying to stop me.

[I will be in trouble if you don't get back to the Capital!
And what about the shop?] (Lt. Col)

Oh, well, he doesn't want to let me go, after all, I'm the 『friend』 of the goddess, that can even talk to her equally.

Besides, people in this country would not think of me as an 『Average Girl』 anymore.
I can hardly guess what happens if I return to the kingdom.
So,

[I have canceled the contract of the shop already.
And there's no reason to return to the Capital, but there are many reasons for not returning...] (Kaoru)

Mr. Colonel deflected his eyes.

Well, if I return to the kingdom from now on, I can guess what will happen.

First of all, an invitation came from the royal palace, an invitation came from the temple, an invitation came from an influential aristocrat, an invitation came from a big business...

And the handsome young men around the corner are waiting, surely.

...It's quite nice!

It's NOT!

[Caged birds, they were chosen by the breeder, it's a pity to be bred by the top breeder's hand!

No, I want to get married and give birth but I don't want people who just aim for my ability.

I want to marry a person who likes me as an average girl!] (Kaoru)

[...Can I ask one question?] (Lt. Col)

Mr. Lt. Colonel asked with a serious face.

[Where is that [Average girl] ?] (Lt. Col)

[[[[Bfft.....]]]] (Fran, Roland, Emil, and Bell)

What's so funny? They desperately tried to hold their laughter, Fran, Roland, Emil, and Bell.

[Anyway, Mr. Lt. Lieutenant isn't authorized to bind my actions.

I am not a person of this country, just a traveler.

And I'm not a criminal nor an intelligent of another country.

Besides, the two of them are noblemen of another country... if you are trying to catch them with force...] (Kaoru)

[The nobility of another country aside, is there a fool who dare to pick a fight goddess Celestine's friend?] (Lt. Col)

Oh, is that so?

[But what will happen to the military disease medicine?

There are people who have not yet recovered] (Lt. Col)

[Eh, but even after they get healed. Would it relapse soon or later anyway?] (Kaoru)

[...] (Lt. Col)

About that, Mr. Lt. Col should also know it...

He tried to make me feel guilty somehow to bring me back to the Capital.

But, they were pleased to be cured of military illness, now, they must feel disappointed.

I guess I did bad things to the military of this country.

There are many ceremonial works (require standing together for a long time)
Not even the Royal Guard can avoid that, I wish I could do something for them.
A remedy that makes them not to get contagious anymore, or something

...Ah ah!

[...Mr. Lt. Col...] (Kaoru)

[Yes, what's wrong?] (Lt. Col)

[You don't have to worry about military illness anymore, it seems to have been dealt with...] (Kaoru)

[Huh?] (Lt. Col)

Yes, I didn't notice it.

At that time, what did I think when creating the mini statue?

『The potion that can cure the epidemic, which prevails in the capital at the moment, simply by drinking a small amount and also can acquire antibodies for it.
If the potion won't get drunk in 24 hours after taking out, it will lose its effectiveness.
The potion container is a small goddess statue with infinite generation and circulation system, come out!』

『Epidemic, which prevails in the capital at the moment』

『Epidemic, which prevails in the capital at the moment』...

Doesn't military disease also firmly meet that condition?

So won't the people in the Capital who drank that medicine will never again suffer from the military disease again?

I explain to Mr. Lt. Col so

[Huh...] (Lt. Col)

It is a pity that he lost a trump card for another battalion, but he also is glad that the soldiers of his country would never suffer from that irritable disease again.

Mr. Lt. Col. has a complex expression.

[Oh, I'm not sure yet, please check it again.

And, if it was as I thought, you can claim it.

〔Because I was told that I can receive a reward from the Holy Angel.

I have asked to clean up military diseases from our country.

Not just for myself, but for everyone〕 or something.

Surely the fame of Mr. Lieutenant Colonel from the soldiers will sky-rocket] (Kaoru)

Mr. Lieutenant Colonel is having a bitter smile.

[Okay, we will be going soon...

Ah, it's no use to pursue us, you can't catch up with our horses because I can give them as many recovery medicines as I want.

Besides, even if you catch up with us, you can't keep us.

If you overdo it, Celes might be angry and give out 〔goddess' punishment〕...] (Kaoru)

[I understood. I will tell his Majesty so. He will understand it.

People in this country also knew the story goddess Celestine has destroyed a country which angered her before] (Lt. Col)

Alright, it seems that I can leave for good this time.

[Okay then, farewell!] (Kaoru)

[.....] (Lt. Col)

Eh (are)?

Why is Mr. Lt. Col looking at me with a strange face?

[What's wrong?] (Kaoru)

[Where are you going from here?

There is only one guidance and we need him to show us back to the village.

Besides that, your horses are still in the village, too.

Are you planning to go through the mountain without the guide, without horses and aim for the highway?'] (Lt. Col)

[Ah...] (Kaoru)

Mr. Lt. Col. is watching me with a troubled face.
And Roland's group as well...

Everyone, sometimes, people will make mistakes, won't they?



And, after collecting Ed's group in the village, we started departing in the opposite direction of the Capital, the East.

And we will head to the inland direction as it is.
I don't bother to tell it to Mr. Lieutenant Colonel, but as usual, he understands.

By the way, the west is also the direction of the Brancott Kingdom where that prince is.

North is Dorisat, where we came from,
The south is a dead end after traveling for a few days.

Mr. Lt. Colonel is supposed to welcome people from the capital, who will arrive tomorrow, at the village.

Unlike us, Mr. Lt. Col doesn't have a chemical light, advancing through the night road is dangerous.

We don't want to meet the people coming from the Capital so we will do a march at night.

After getting far enough that the village isn't visible anymore, I pull out the Chariot from the item box.

Francette and Roland seem to be uneasy.

[Oh, about that, Kaoru-chan...] (Francette)

[Yes?] (Kaoru)

When I tried to start, Francette spoke to me with an anxious face.

[Well, the 2 small statues in the Capital, is it okay to let them continue to take medicine as it is...?] (Francette)

Oh, that?

[It's okay, that suicide bomber... , no, because it has a self-destructive function] (Kaoru)

[Self... destruction... function... , what is it?] (Francette) (Error 404. Goddess' translation isn't working with this word)

[Well... when it gets stolen or when it's done with its duty, it will get broken, so there's no problem!

Okay then, let's go!] (Kaoru)

And we head east.

To the inland parts of the continent.

Ah, in the inland area, we can't eat fish dishes there, can we??

Is it better to stop heading to inland and go round the coastal part of the continent?

Because I don't care where I will go, I can travel anywhere I want.

Alright, schedule change!

When we reach the road heading south, first, we will go south to the sea and then head east!

I can eat sashimi after a long time!

What a wonderful thing that we don't have to worry about pathogens, toxins, and parasites!

And I can also freely create 『edible dishwashing agents that taste like wasabi』 or 『wasabi like soy sauce』 !

Alright, let's go, a journey around the villages of the beach!

[Hiyo, Silver!] (Kaoru)

Chapter 88

Angel-sama again (7)

[Get away from the Goddess' statue!
It should be managed by the Royal Palace!] (Royal Palace)

[What are you saying!
The goddess's statue of miracle is supposed to be managed by the temple!
You are the one who must get away, Royal Palace's people!] (Temple)

[Both of you are wrong! The Holy Angel has directly asked us to guard these two Goddess' statues of Miracle. And that blessing must be equally granted to all people. She won't allow the royal palace and the temple to carry the statue away without permission, keep it hidden and use it for political bargaining or money making!]
(Volunteer Man)

Yes, there are 3 sides arguing with each other in front of the Goddess' statue in the central plaza.

Civil servants who came from the royal palace and the Royal guards as the escort.

The priests who came from the temple.

And men who were asked to take care of these mini statues until the statues finished its role.

Neither of them seemed to intend to withdraw a step.

It is natural.

If either the royal palace side or the temple side gives up here, their position disappears.

And no-one would want to lose its position in the public.

Men, who have been asked for keeping the Goddess' statues by Kaoru, also don't want to abandon the mission given by the Holy Angel.

While many kingdom citizens were watching, the situation was continuing for some time, but the royal palace, who finally got impatient, forcefully touched one of the mini statues.

As they saw the Royal Palace is about to forcefully take one mini statue away, the temple also hurriedly tried to get the other mini statue.

Even though the volunteer men tried to stop them, but with just 5 men, they couldn't stop it.

And the moment when the Imperial guards of the royal palace gently tried to lift the mini statue which is still giving the Miracle Medicine.

Purin (Crack SFX*)

The mini statue was broken... into many pieces.

[[[[[Ah...]]]]] (Royal Palace)

The royal palace stared at the broken 『Mini-goddess statue』 that fell to the ground as many pieces in agony.

[Have you seen it?

The goddess will not allow her Miracle statue to fall into the hands of unclean people. The management of the Miracle is due to us, those who serve the goddess...] (Temple)

At the moment the high-ranked priests said so, the mini statue, that other priests were trying to lift, was broken as well. Shattering...

It wasn't just a simple thing like 『it was crack and broken』

Obviously, how the mini statue got broken is impossible with any normal mean.

Indeed, the word 『crushing』 was more suitable.

Literally, 『crushing』 which there is nothing left at all, such as a part reminiscent of the original shape.

It was enough to show the anger of the goddess.

[[[[[[[.....]]]]]]] (Everyone)

The central square was wrapped in silence.

And stinging gaze full of anger, disgust and despair from silent people stabbing to the royal palace and the temple.

The statue of the miracle miraculously, given by the goddess through the Holy Angel. An infinite medicine relic which carried the Goddess's image that saved the Capital

citizens from the epidemic.

It was both lost because of the villains from the royal palace who tried to ignore the will of Goddess and make it theirs, and the rotten priest of the temple... Eternally.

The royal palace officials and the priests were covered in sweat from the eyes of the citizen.

[The Holy angel said to us 『Please take care of these two mini-goddess-statues until it finishes the job』]

And now, the Goddess' statue have finished their role, curing the epidemic for the citizen of the capital.

It won't allow the person with the unclean heart to touch them, so that, it canceled its existence.

So our mission has also ended right now.

It was only two days and nights, but it was an honor to be able to follow the will of the Holy Angel to protect the citizen.

Well then, those who followed the duty from the Holy Angel, let's take pride in your life for your great deed in the past two days.

Dismissed!』 (Volunteer man)

Apparently, the man, who had taken care the two mini-statues, has some charisma.

Was he a nobleman or some great man that happened to be dressed like a commoner and wandering around the city?

He declared so in an incomprehensible tale and disappeared into the crowd quickly. And one after another, 4 other followers, collaborators.

When the royal powers and priests noticed, it was only themselves surrounded by the crowds.

...We have to get away.

Even though they think so, they don't think that they can go back empty hand easily.

Then how about gathering the small piece of the Mini statue and take it home as the 『Relic』

But can they show it to the public as a 『Relic』 ? Probably not...

In that case, they must explain why it's crushed to such an extent that it can not hold the original shape at all.

It's the sin that they have committed.

It will just clarify that their acts were rejected by the goddess

Using forces to cover all their wrongdoing?

It's impossible. Those, who are collecting fragments with a crying face, are all thinking so.

The royal palace side, the temple side, everyone...

At that time, In the royal palace and temple where yesterday's soldiers were informed about the events in the village of the east, The preparation of the big celebration was on the brink. The angel visits the Capital and the manifestation of miracles. In addition, the angel is resident here in the kingdom. There was no reason why royalty aristocrats and religious officials didn't get excited.

To save the Kingdom from the plague, right now the Holy Angel has headed to the East to save the village which is thought to be the source of the plague. After having finished her purpose, she will return to the kingdom.

The messenger, who is the soldier stationed there, has already met her in the village. It seems like she has already cured the villagers.

So, as soon as she left the village, she might head back to the Capital.

When the Holy Angel arrived in the Capital, we welcome her grandly, show appreciation, and then... we should be patient for now.

They dreamed of the future of rosy color, the political and business world, and influential people of the religious world.

As for the citizen of this country, who know that the Holy Angel doesn't feel like returning to the Capital anymore.

The two aristocrats and the middle captain.

And [Mr. Lt. Col] , who heard it directly from Kaoru, still hasn't returned to the Capital yet.

The owner of the real estate agent who was informed of the lease agreement.

However, the real estate agent was late to go to the central square at that time.

The fact that the girl, who is canceling the lease agreement to leave the Capital, and the angel are the same person.

He still didn't know yet.



[The Mini-Goddess' statues, I wonder if they are still alive...] (Kaoru)

That Mini goddess-statues Potion Container is designed to be disassembled automatically after 5 days.

There won't be anything left of the Goddess' statue permanently.

Even if the effect is restricted to epidemic disease, this country can still claim

『Our country has received the protection of the goddess!』

I don't want to be the reason for another religious state.

Besides, even if the water has no other effect.

The statue is still 『an item that drinking water comes out infinite』

There may be value in the military.

It is also 『water with goddess' s protection.

My goddess is on our side!』

It's useful for religious to create fanatics.

So, in order not to be used later, I tried to break it up into pieces so that people can't recognize the original shape.

And, even though when five days still haven't passed yet, if someone tries to move the statue, it will self-destroy at that time.

If the statue gets broken unnaturally while they are trying to move one, they will not try to take another statue.

And the statue was placed in such a conspicuous place, there was no way thieves and bandit can lay their hands on it.

Only the royal palace or the temple person may forcibly do it.

So, at least one of them should be able to remain until the 5-day time limit to provide medicine to the citizen.

Well, it was the method I thought of before getting Celes' help.

Now that, Celes has come out to manage all pathogens, I don't need to worry about it anymore.

The citizen will get cured.

Therefore, even if both are broken, there is no problem.

If it's not a time limit, but someone breaks it when trying to take away, they may in a

pretty dire position, but that has nothing to do with me.

It's self-suicide.

[Kaoru-chan, we will soon cross the road to the north and south direction] (Francette)

Francette told me so.

It seems that she can see the direct viewing on a horse with a higher viewpoint than us who look forward through a horse-drawn windshield...

Or, if I think about it, the sight of Francette was strengthened with my potion before.

Perhaps, she can see far in the distance that an average people can't see.

Apart from obstacles, topography, the fact that the earth (this world) is round, etc.

Anyway, for the time being, let head South.

To the sea, traveling along the outer edge of the continent while enjoying fish dishes.

Seeking a place to settle down and a companion for proliferation.

Regardless of Francette and Roland, I just want to avoid being ahead by Emil and Bell couple.

This is a journey for the proliferation of the Nagase clan, it's never a journey for the lovey-dovey couples!

And the horse of Roland and the Francette!

Would you please stop targeting the daughter of Ed couple?

Everyone, why are you always...

Honestly...



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